



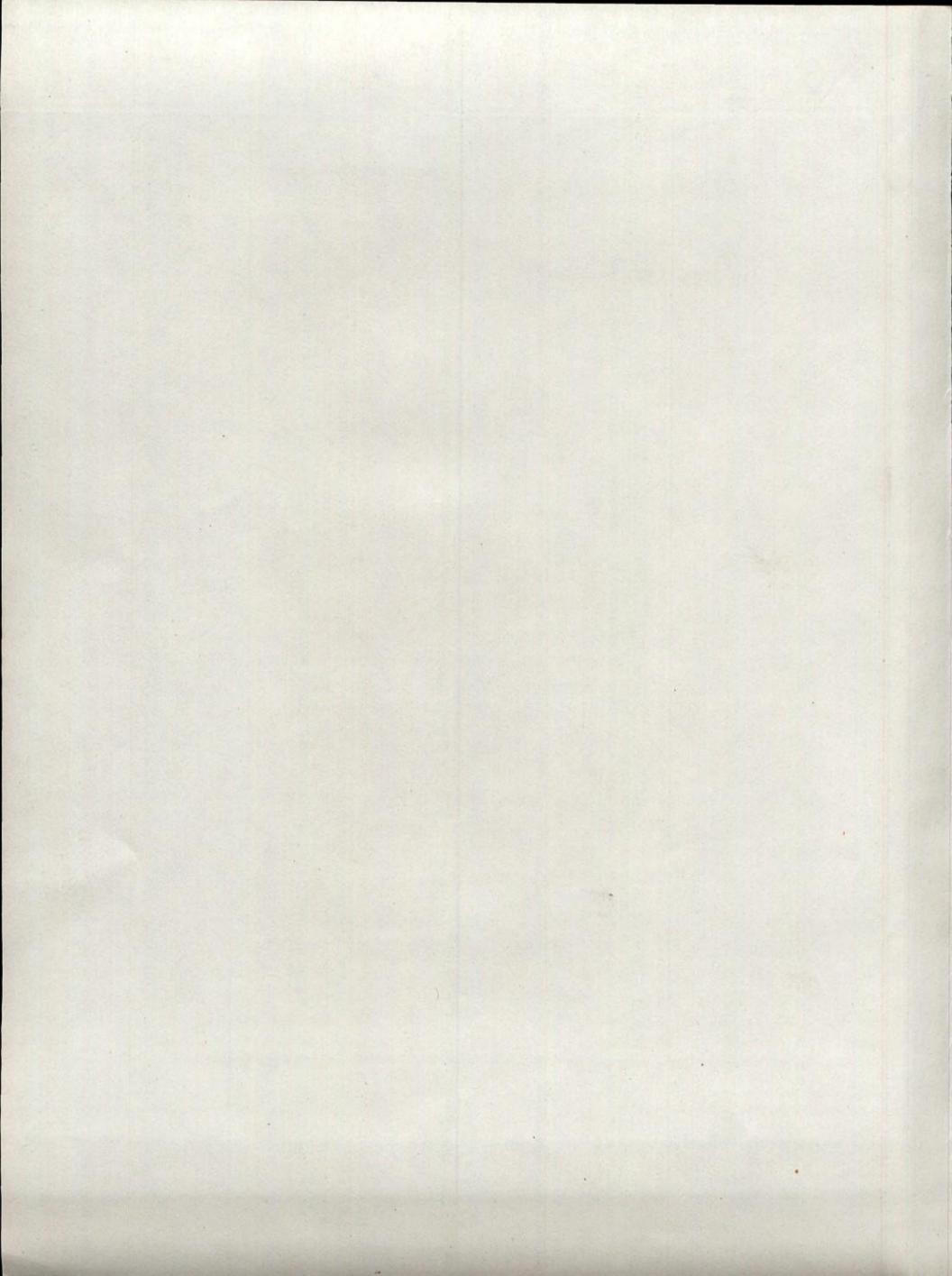
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FOREWORD

The story of our school, like the history of our country, seems to change year by year. Each year the halls lose many important, worthwhile students; but in return new students are always replacing those who leave. The students are ever moving onward through the trials and tribulations of life. This movement can easily be compared to the important westward movement of our forefathers. This year— one hundred years after the famous Gold Rush of 1849 we thirty-seven seniors compose this book with comparison to the romantic days of the "49'ers."







DEDICATION

We dedicate this book to the Board of Education that has made this year possible. They have given their "all out efforts" for this school unit.

IN MEMORIAM

This book is composed in memory of Tommie Lawson. He met his death a few weeks before he would have started his high school career with the forty-niners.



THE TRAIL BLAZERS



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors elected, following the organization of the new school unit, were as follows: Carl Wilson, president; Robert J. Woolery, secretary; Earl Ellis; Maurice Walk; Richard Peters; Clayton Doll and William White.

These men are a very important factor in the satisfactory operation of the school. Among their duties are hiring teachers and seeing that the school is conducted according to set regulations.

We feel that it is our duty to dedicate this space in the Tomahawk to these men with an expression of gratitude and appreciation for what they have done.

THE TRAIL BLAZERS



Carl J. Wilson



Robert J. Woolery



Earl Ellis



maurice walk



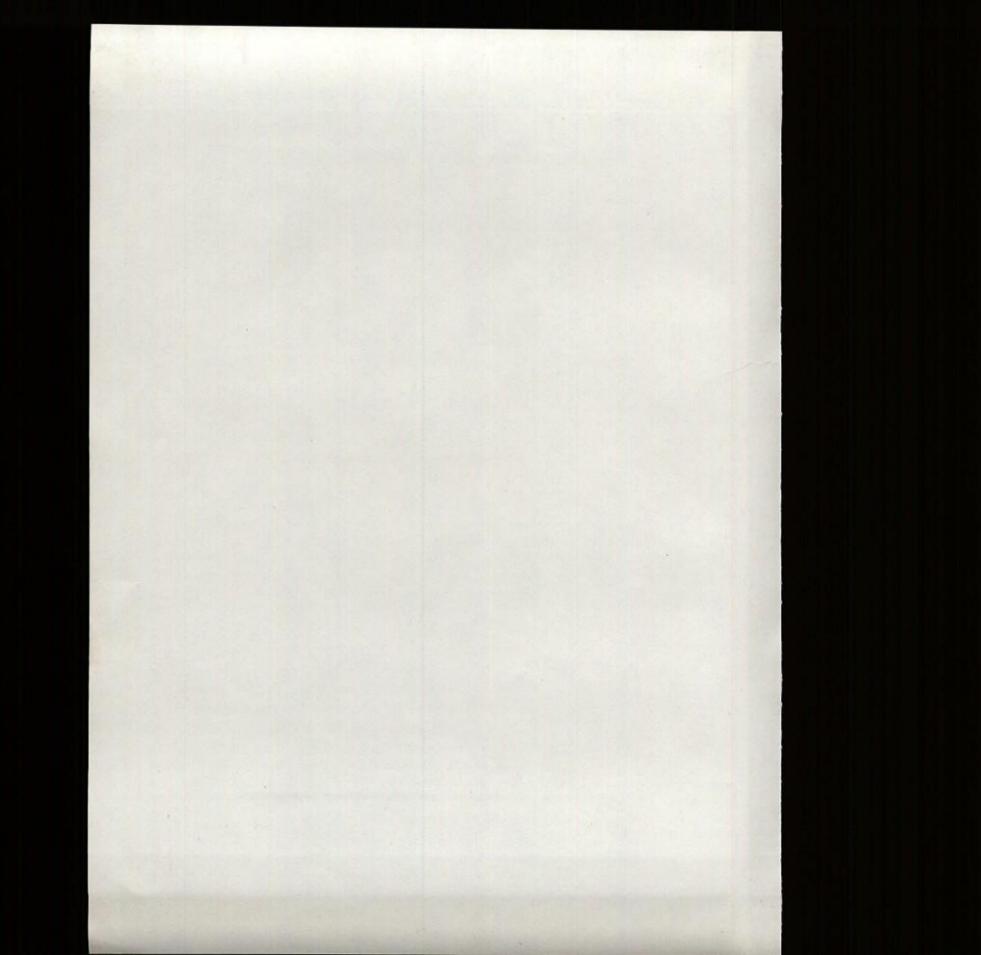
Richard Peters



Clayton Doll



William White





SCHOOL SONG

So let us cheer, cheer, cheer Neoga High,
And show our loyalty each day;
With faith in all our standards we will back
The scarlet and the gray;
And we will fight! fight! with all our might
For honor and for cause of right.
Give three cheers for team and school—
Three cheers for Neoga High:

RAH! RAH! RAH!



For the first time in many moons, the word "Township" is being dropped from the name of our school; this change resulted from the organization of the Neoga Community Unit School District near the close of last school year. Henceforth the high school will carry the label "Neoga High School" with the "Township" being omitted.

The Neoga Unit School District No. 3 was organized in May 1948 and comprised territories in Cumberland, Coles, and Shelby Counties. The Unit was formed by an overwhelming vote in both rural and urban territories. Soon after the organization of the unit district, the following men were elected to the Board of Education: Carl Wilson, Robert Woolery, W. E. Ellis, Maurice Walk, W. D. White, Richard Peters, and E. R. Brown, with Mr. Wilson serving as the President and Mr. Woolery as Secretary. In September of this school year Mr. Brown resigned as member due to transfer of his work. His vacancy was filled by Clayton Doll of Trowbridge. Hard work on the part of these board members, together with the co-operation of the patrons in the Unit District, has enabled the Unit to realize an improvement in education, transportation, administration, and health of the pupils enrolled.

On March 6, the newest building of the unit at Pioneer Attendance Center, was officially dedicated with an appropriate program and an attendance of nearly one thousand. At the present time one high school is in operation in the Unit, and elementary attendance centers at Etna, Trowbridge, Neoga Grade, Pioneer (on Route No. 121), West Union and Lone Elm.

Thirty teachers comprise the teaching personnel of the Unit and have met on numerous occasions during the year for study to aid in selfimprovement.

Eight buses are owned by the Unit and are driven by drivers who have been examined by the State Department to determine their qualifications as to health and experience in driving.

The people have accepted the Unit as an organization which potentially, can greatly improve and equalize the education of youth in this community.



GUIDES





WAYNE HANCE

A. B. and M. A. in Ed. at U. I. Superintendent of Neoga Community Unit School District No. 3 Home Town—Newman, Illinois

LOREN TAYLOR

A. B. in Ed. at S. I. U.
M. A. in Ed. at U. I.
Economics, English IV,
Senior Sponsor
Athletic Director
Home Town—Mill Shoals, Illinois

CLAIRE CAMPBELL

A. B. in Hispanic Studies at U. W. History, Spanish, Tomahawk Advisor Home Town—Mt. Carmel, Illinois

RALPH WHITE

B. S. in Ed. at E. I. S. C. Industrial Arts, Baseball Coach Freshman Sponsor Home Town—Rose Hill, Illinois

MARGERY RASMUSSEN

B. S. at Illinois Wesleyan
General Science, Algebra
Geometry, Physics, Library
Sophomore Sponsor
Home Town— Bloomington, Illinois

JAMES LEMING

B. S. in Agriculture at U. I.
Vocational Agriculture, Biology
F. F. A. Sponsor, Tomohawk Advisor, Sophomore Sponsor
Home Town—Cutler, Illinois

MARILYN DRAKE

B. S. in Ed. at E. I. S. C.
Typing, Bookkeeping, Shorthand,
Girls' P. E., Messenger Advisor,
G. A. A., Junior Sponsor
Home Town—Edgewood, Illinois

ELIZABETH HOLLADAY

B. S. in Music Ed. at U. I. Band, Glee Club, Tomahawk Advisor, Freshman Sponsor Home Town—Deland, Illinois

WANDA JUNE BELL

B. S. in Ed. at E. I. S. C. Home Economics, Girls' P. E. G. A. A., F. H. A. Sponsor, Junior Sponsor Home Town—Windsor, Illinois

PATRICIA NEAL

A. B. at U. I. English, Library, Senior Sponsor Home Town—Mattoon, Illinois

ANN BURRY

Secretary

CLEM P. WENTE

Janitor for seven years



THE SCOUTS



Mr. Hance



our. Taylor



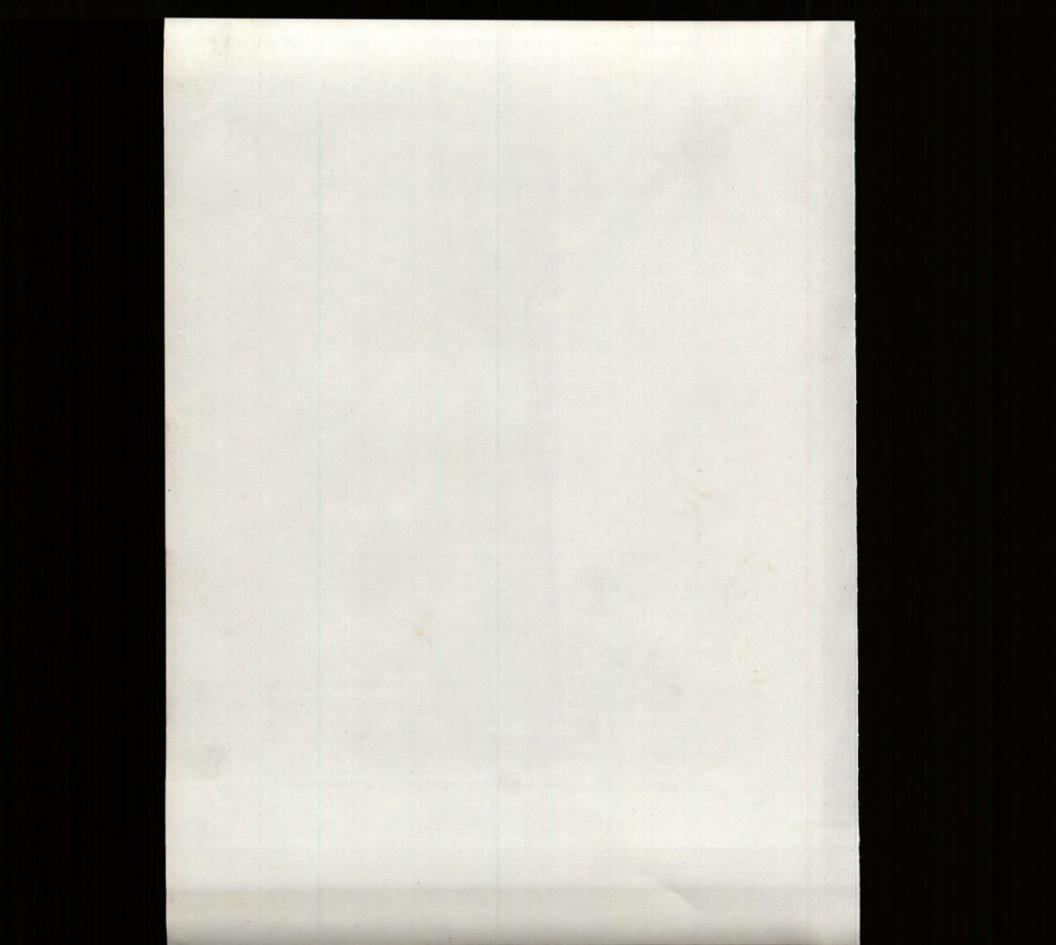
our. Ceming



Miss Campbell



Mrs. Vrake



THE SCOUTS



onr. white



Mrs. Holladay



Miss Rasmussen



Miss Neal



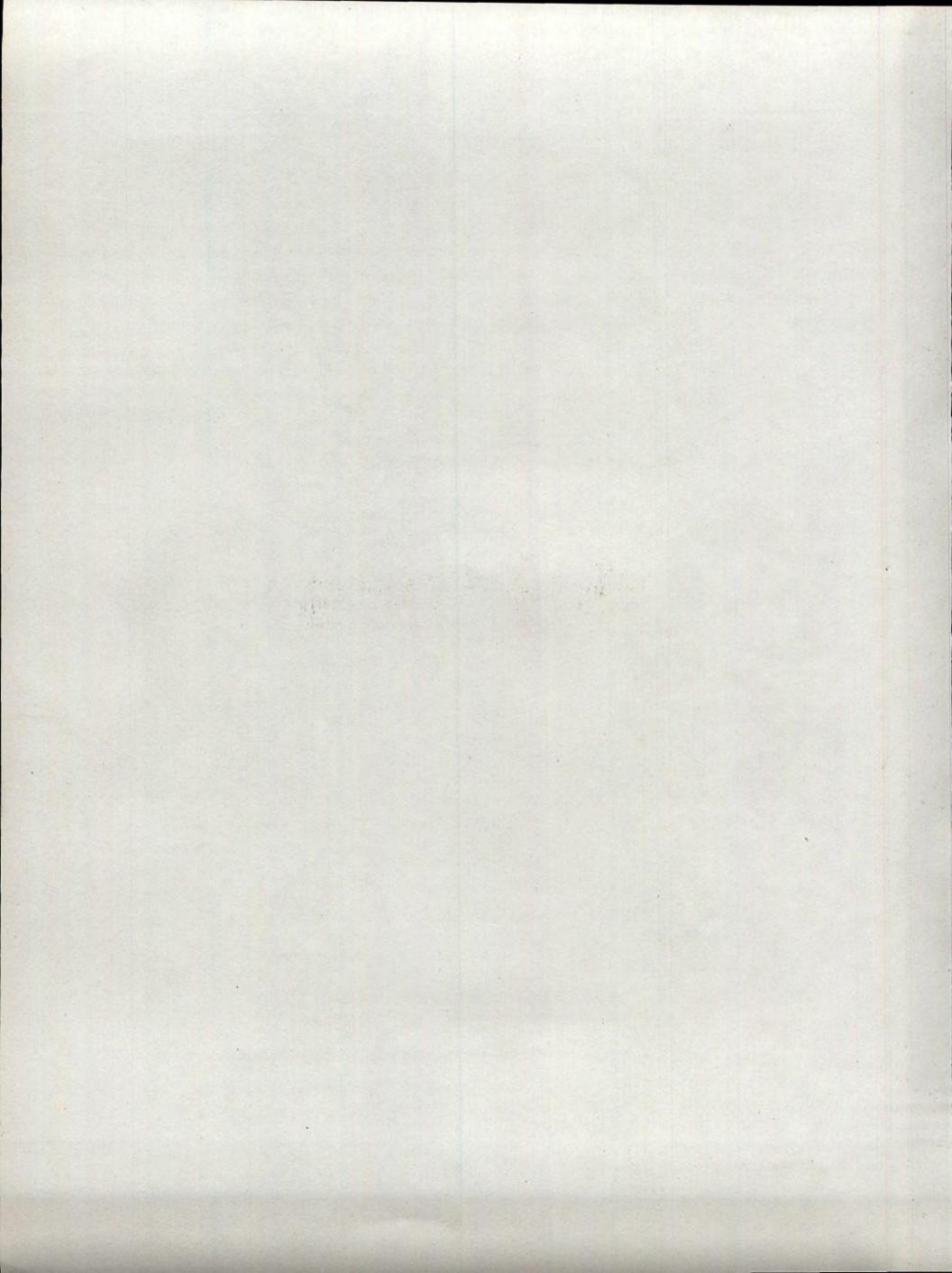
Mrs. Bell



Mrs. Burry



Mr. Wente





49 'ers





RECORD OF THE FORTY-NINERS

In September, 1945 thirty-eight Freshmen entered Neoga Township High School. We now have thirty-seven, although all of them are not the same students that entered. Among the ones we have lost are: Delores Delong, Winona Cross, Thelma Lou Beals, Sara Ann Abel, John Baker, Don Wold, and Richard Ogden. The ones we have gained are: Donna Stuckey, Pauline Burton, Jeanine Brown, Claudius Goad, and Cleo Goad.

The business of this class during their senior year has been efficiently guided by Bill Montgomery, president; Richard Kepp, vice-president; Janet Green, secretary-treasurer; and Miss Neal and Mr. Taylor as faculty sponsors.

We have had many memorable activities in the past four years, the highlight of which was the opening of the "Stork Club" at our Prom of '48

Also as Juniors we presented "My Wife's Family," a three act comedy.

Among our Homecoming Activities we sponsored an Alumni Tea and a bonfire.

At the Homecoming Dance the king and queen, Bill Montgomery and Janet Green, were seniors and also the attendants, Eleanor Louthan, Raymond Bushur, Jeanine Brown, Bill Wilson, Gilbert Kingery and Donna Stuckey were members of the Senior Class.

The financing of the Tomahawk has been accomplished by a carnival, selling ads, the Senior Class Play and magazine sales.

The Senior Class realizes the experiences gained in their four years at N. H. S., both social and educational, will aid them in the pursuit of their respective careers.



SENIORS

MOST POPULAR	Bill Montgomery	Janet Green
BEST PERSONALITY	Bill Wilson	Eleanor Louthan
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Julian Kimery	Sylve Michlig
BEST DANCER	Gene Fox	Jeanine Brown
BEST DRESSED	Bill Montgomery	Darlene Gaddis
COMEDIAN	Bill Wilson	Marge Lindley
BEST MUSICIAN	Gene Fox	Eleanor Louthan
BEST ATHLETE	Ken Wolf	Sylve Michlig
BEST SCHOLAR	Dean Gordon	Janet Green
GIGGLER	Dick Rawlings	Marge Lindley
CLASS TRUANT	Donald Bell	Hazel Beals





TOMAHAWK

With the guidance of Miss Campbell and Mr. Leming the seniors published this, the traditional yearbook. The purpose of this annual is to print in black and white the highlights of the past year of school activities. We hope our attempt can be called a success.

To raise the needed funds we sponsored the annual Homecoming Dance, a carnival, a class play, and a magazine-selling campaign.

Dean Gordon was elected editor; Norma Jean Wolke, assistant editor; Ruth Drennan, business manager; and Bill Montgomery, advertising manager.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all those who assisted us in publishing this annual, including lower classmen, local merchants, friends, and supporters.

First Row: Don Bell, Gib Kingery, Richard Kepp, Julian Kimery, Dick Rawlings, Claud Goad, Carl Scoles, Gene Fox.

Second Row: Jeanine Brown, Hazel Beals, Eloise Haskett, Louise Miller, Ann Snyder, Donna Beals, Sylve Michlig, Donna Fort, Judy Parker, Donna Stuckey, Cleo Goad.

Third Row: Dean Gordon, Norma Wolke, Louise Jones, Betty Baker, Janet Green, Doris Icenogle, Marjorie Lindley, Darlene Gaddis, Mary Lou Wente, Ruth Drennan, Mary Morton, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Rose White, Mary Patrick, Mr. Leming.

Fourth Row: Dorothy Beals, Pauline Burton, Bill Wilson, Bill Montgomery, Ken Wolf, Bill Farr, Ray Bushur, John Shuemaker, Pete Stretch, Eleanor Louthan, Dolores Wilson.





Vean Gordon



Horma Jean Wolke ASSISTANT EDITOR



Ruth Urennan Business Manager



Bill Montgomery ADVERTISING MANAGER

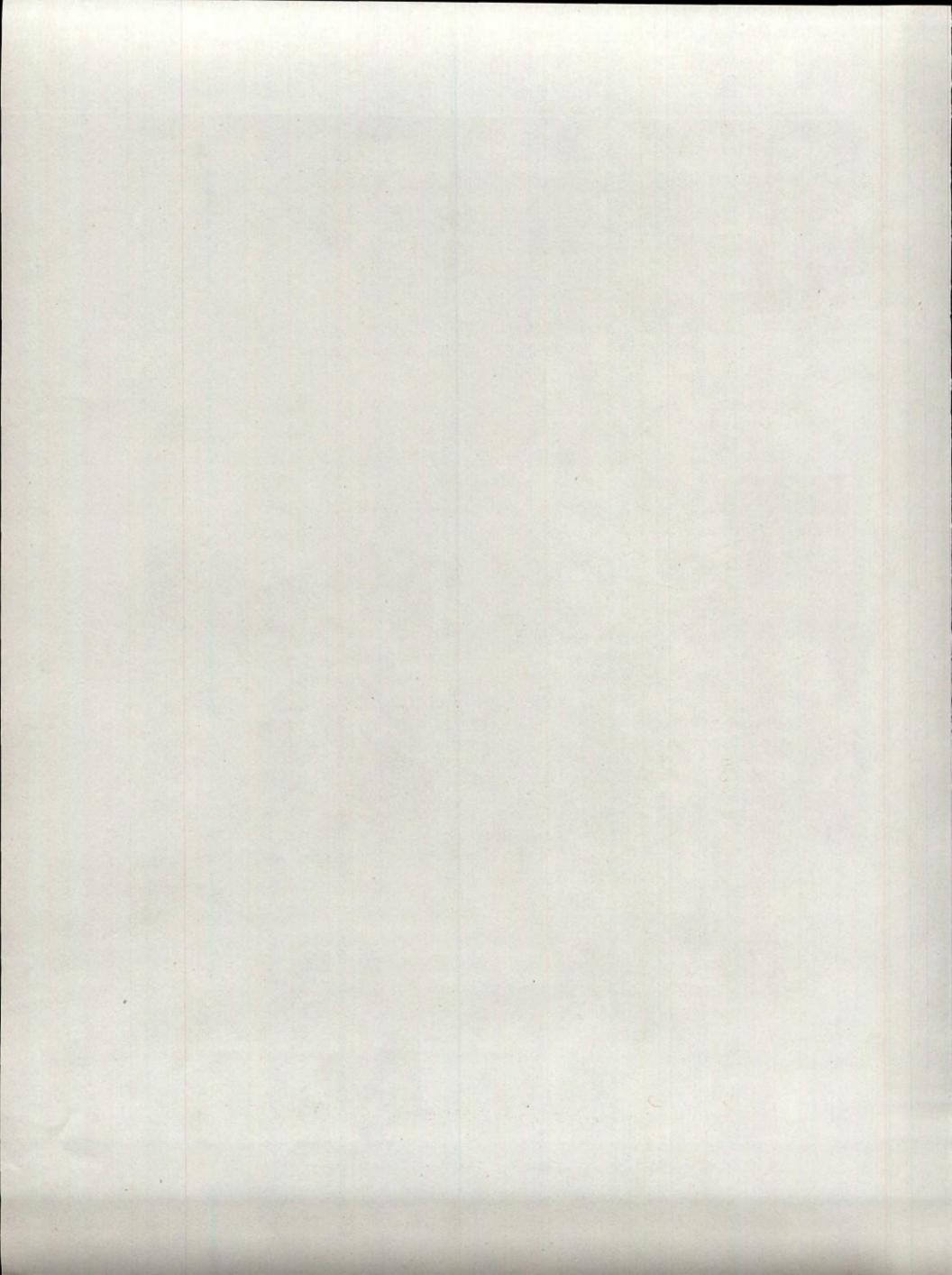


TOMAHAWK STAFF





Ultr. Leming sponsor





MY SECRET AMBITION

ROSE WHITE—To be a nurse. PAULINE BURTON—To type 60 words per minute. DONNA STUCKEY—To be an office girl. DORIS ICENOGLE—To be a private secretary. DARLENE GADDIS—To be a beautician. MARY LOU WENTE-To be a secretary. MARY PATRICK-To be an air hostess. DICK RAWLINGS—To be a good meat cutter. JEANINE BROWN—To get a good sun tan. KEN WOLF—To be a good basketball and baseball player. LOUISE JONES—To be a beauty operator. MARY MORTON—To be a dress designer. LULU BELLE ZIMMER—To be a stenographer. SYLVIA MICHLIG—To be a millionairess and live in luxury! JANET GREEN—To be a private secretary. HAZEL BEALS—To be a public speaker! DEAN GORDON-To coach in a small college! CLEO GOAD—To be a nurse. BETTY BAKER-To be a Physical Education and Home Ec teacher. BILL FARR—To coach a championship team! DOROTHY BEALS-To be a beauty operator. RUTH DRENNAN-To be a nurse. RAYMOND BUSHUR—To be a professional baseball player. NORMA JEAN WOLKE-To be a Commerce teacher in a small high school. ELEANOR LOUTHAN—To be a nurse. DONALD BELL-To go to school more often. BILL WILSON—To have a Buick that will go 104 miles per hour. JULIAN KIMERY—To sell life rafts in the Sahara. GENE FOX-To play the trumpet like Harry James and Charlie Spivak. MARGE LINDLEY—To be a beautician. CLAUDIUS GOAD-To be an A-1 farmer. JOHN SHUEMAKER-To have more than ten girl friends at one time. GILBERT KINGERY-To be a big game hunter. RICHARD KEPP—To be a baseball player. PETE STRETCH—To be an airplane pilot. BILL MONTGOMERY-To be a successful businessman. CARL SCOLES—To pitch a no-hit baseball game.





BILL MONTGOMERY "Monk"

Tomahawk 4
Homecoming King 4
Messenger 4
N Club 4
Glee Club 3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Baseball 4
Commerce Club 3
Class President 4
Vice-President 2
Pep Club 1-2-3-4

RICHARD E. KEPP "Keppie"

Student Council2Tomahawk4Messenger4President "N" Club4Glee Club3-4Basketball1-2-3-4Class Play3-4Baseball2-3-4Softball1

JEANINE BROWN "Nean"

Class Officer	3
Homecoming Court	
Tomahawk	
Messenger	
G. A. A	
F. H. A. President	
F. H. A	2-3-4
Glee Club	
Pep Club	1-2-3-4
Class Play	3-4
Octet	
Commerce Club	3

JANET GREEN "Janie"

Homecoming Queen	4
Homecoming Court	3
G. A. A	2-4
G. A. A. Vice-President	4
Messenger	2-3-4
Class Officer	1-4
Class PlayTomahawk	3-4
Tomahawk	3-4
Glee Club	3-4
Pep Club F. H. A.	1-2-3-4
F. H. A	2-4
Library Club	2-3-4
Library Officer	4
Commerce Club	3

ELEANOR LOUTHAN "Ellen"

Class Officer	1-2
Homecoming Court	
Messenger Tomahawk	4
G. A. A	1-2-3
G. A. A. President	4
Glee Club	2-3-4
Pep Club	1-2-3-4
Cheerleader	2-3-4
Library Club	2-3-4
Commerce Club	3
Class Play	4

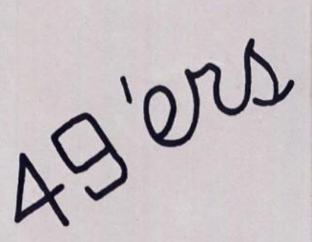




Bill Montgomery



Richard Hepp





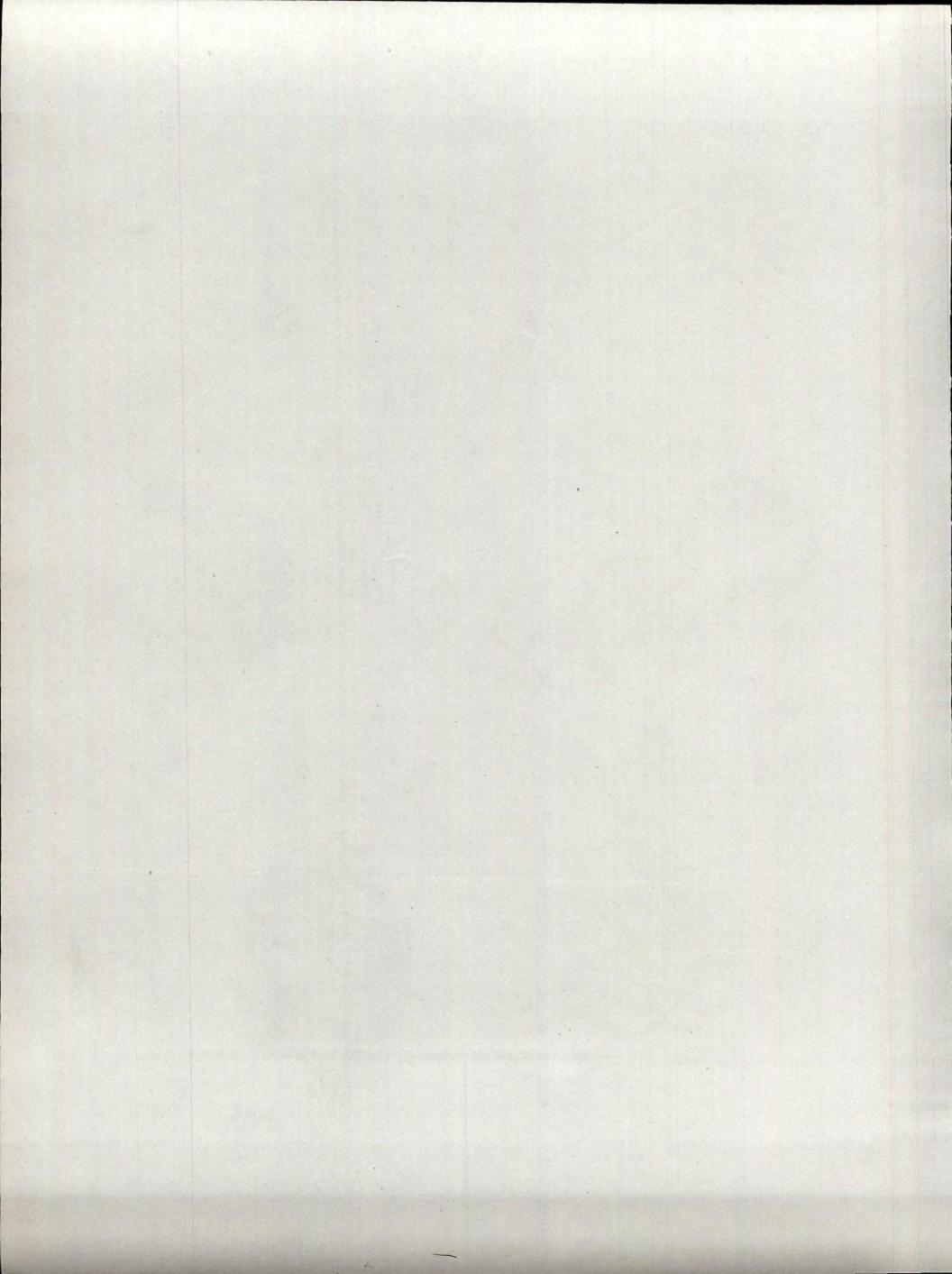
Janet Green



Jeanine Brown



Eleanor Southan





"FORWARD EVER; BACKWARD NEVER."





Madonna Stuckey "Donna"	Raymond Stretch "Pete"	Pauline Burton "Polly"
Transfer — Toledo 4 Tomahawk 4 Messenger 4 Glee Club 4 G. A. A. 4 Pep Club 4 Homecoming Court 4	Tomahawk 4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4 F. F. A 1-3-4 Commerce Club 3	Transfer — Toledo 4 Tomahawk 4 Pep Club 4

William Farr "Willie"	Mary Morton "Suzie Q"
Tomahawk	Tomahawk 4 F. H. A. 2-4 Glee Club 3-4 Library Club 2

John Shuemaker "Johnny"	Hazel Beals "Hazy"	Rose White "Rosie"
Tomahawk 4 F. F. A. 3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Messenger 2-3 F. H. A 1-2-3-4	Tomahawk 4 Library 2-3-4 G. A. A. 1-2-3-4 F. H. A. 1-2-3-4 Glee Club 2-3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4



Madonna Stuckey



Raymond Stretch



Pauline Burton



William Fart



Mary Morton



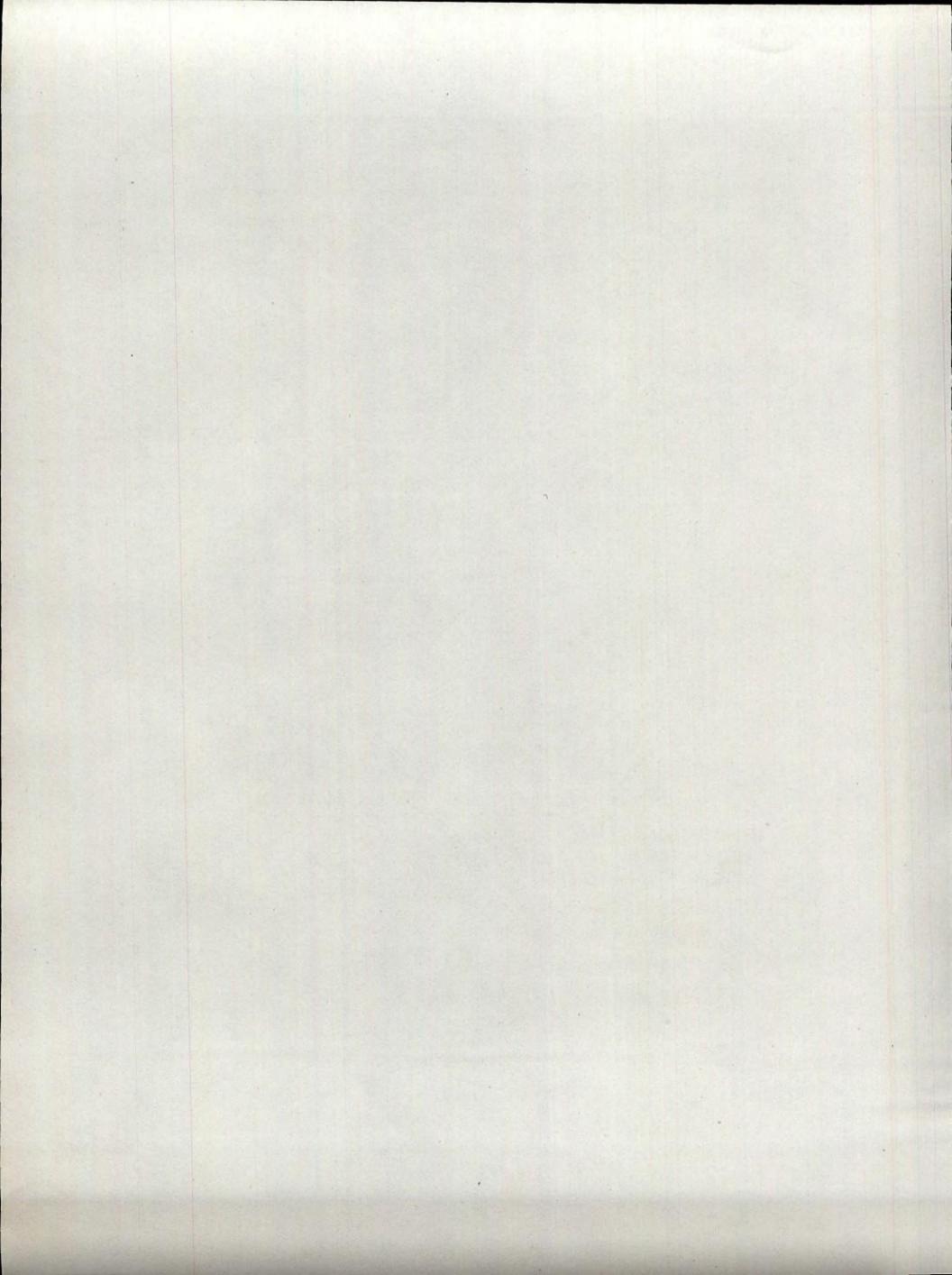
John Shuemaker



Hazel Boals



Rose White





STUFF

Mr. Leming: "What's a loafer?"

Mr. White: "A loafer is a man who rests before he gets tired."

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A boy applying for a job at a butchershop asked, "What is the pay?" "Three dollars a week. Can you dress a chicken?" "Not on three dollars a week!"

1 1

Politician: "My boy says he would like a job in your department."

Official: "What can he do?"

Politician: "Nothing."

Official: "That simplies it. We won't have to break him in."

1 1

Judge: "I understand that the two men were hitting each other with chairs. Why didn't you try to make peace with them?"
Witness: "There wasn't another chair in the room,"

1 1

Excited wife: (to lost and found department clerk) "Miss, I'm frantic! I've been hunting my husband for fifteen minutes."

Clerk: "You should worry. I've been hunting for one for seven years."

1 1

Mrs. Drake: "How's your aunt to-day?" Mr. Taylor: "Oh, she can't complain."

Mrs. Drake: "Heavens, I didn't know she was that sick!"

1 1

The Washington Biological Survey, which puts metal bands on wild birds to study their migratory habits, recently ordered new bands with different and more detailed wording.

They now read, "Notify fish and wildlife services, Washington, D. C." Formerly the bands said simply, "Wash. Boil. Serve."

Unofficial explanation of the change was taken from an irate citizen's letter. He complained:

"Sirs: I shot down one of your pet crows and followed instructions. I washed it, boiled it, and served it. It was terrible. Stop fooling the people."



Gilbert D. Kingery	Sylve Michlig	
"Gib"	"Sleeve"	"Gordon"
Class President 2-3	Tomahawk 1-3-4	
Homecoming C'rt 3-4	Messenger 1-3-4	Ed. of Tomahawk 4
Tomahawk4	G. A. A 1-3-4	Messenger 1-2-3
Messenger4	Band 1-3-4	Ed. of Messenger 4
V-Pres. "N" Club _ 4	Glee Club 3-4	Off. of "N" Club 4
Glee Club 3-4	Pep Club 1-3-4	Band 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4	Pep Club Pres 4	Glee Club 3-4
Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Carnival Mgr 4	Basketball 1-2-3-4
Class Play 3-4	Library 3	Pep Club 1-2-3-4
Baseball 2-3-4	Library Officer 4	Library Club 2
Softball1	Commerce Club 4	Class Play 3-4
	Class Play 3-4	Octet 3
		Softball1
		Baseball 2-3-4

Ruth Drennan "Suzie"	Wayne D. Rawlings "Dick"
Tomahawk Business Manager 4 Library 2-3-4 Band 1-2-3-4	Tomahawk4 Pep Club1-2-3-4

Marjorie Lindley "Marge"	M. Julian Kimery "Duke"	Darlene Gaddis "Darling"	
Tomahawk 4 G. A. A. 1-2-3-4 F. H. A. 1-2-3-4 Glee Club 2-3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Tomahawk 4 Messenger 3-4 F. F. A. 3 Band 1-2-3-4 Glee Club 3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Tomahawk 4 G. A. A. 1-2-3-4 F. H. A. 1-2-3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4 Glee Club 2-3-4	





Gilbert V. Kingery



Sylve Michlig



Vean L. Gordon



Ruth brennan



Wayne V. Rawlings



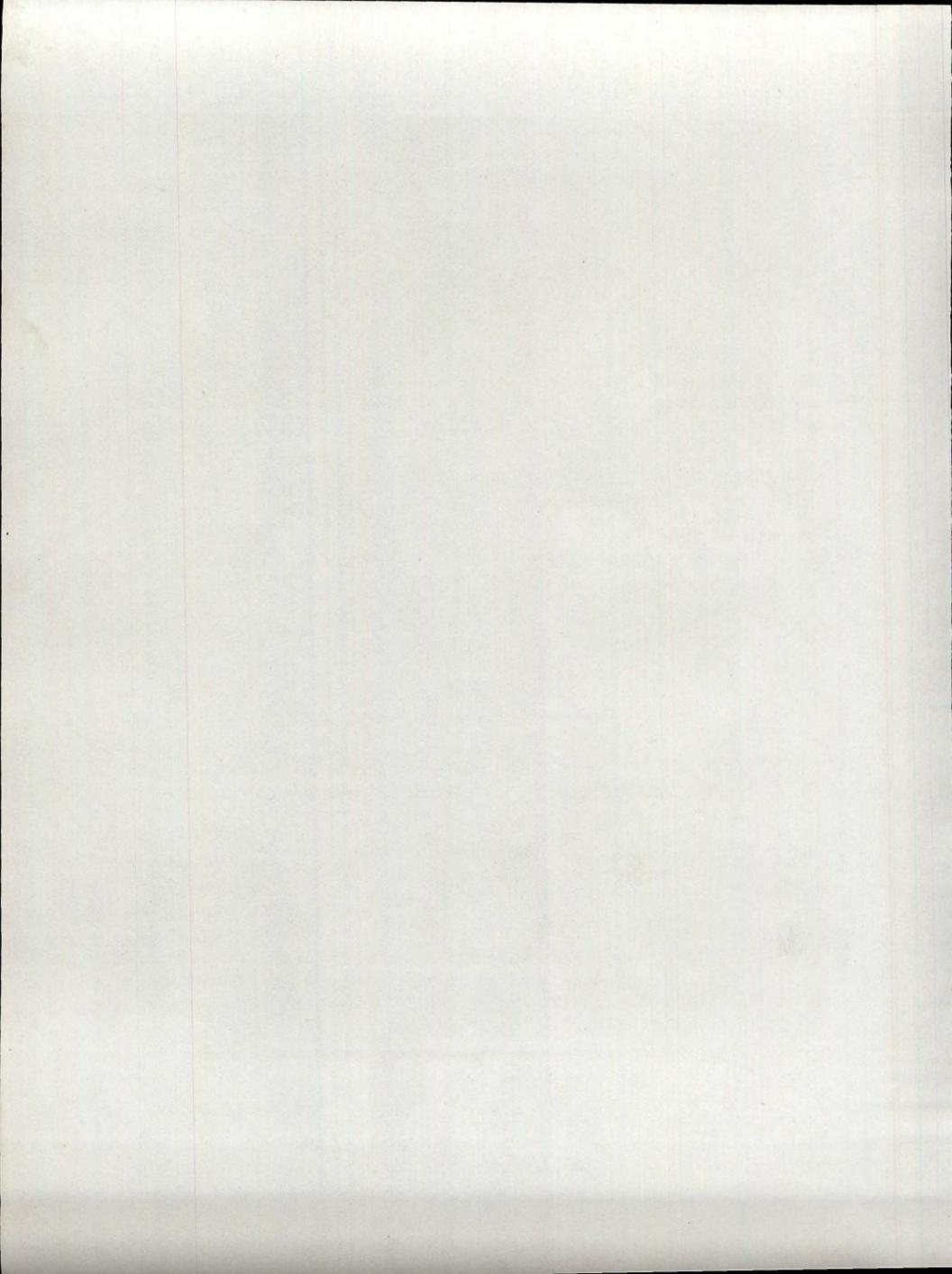
Marjorie Linkley



M. Julian Himery



Varlene Gaddis





LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF THE '49'ers.

We, the '49'ers, of the City of Neoga, of Parched Earth County, and State of ILL-noise, being of sound mind (?) and memory (except at exam time) do hereby publish and declare this to be our last will and testament made by us as inmates of this fair institution. First we direct that:

MR. HANCE shall never be required to put up with another class like us.

MISS CAMPBELL shall receive a responsive American History class.

Mr. LEMING shall subscribe to a correspondence joke telling course. MR. TAYLOR shall be given a brand new automobile (preferably a Crosley).

MISS RASMUSSEN shall be given a platinum-plated slide rule. MRS. BELL shall receive a book on how to settle arguments.

MR. WHITE shall receive an automatic board stretcher for the shop. MRS. DRAKE shall receive a 60 word per-minute shorthand class. MRS. HOLLADAY shall receive an unbreakable metal baton.

MRS. BURRY shall receive a supply of correction fluid.

"PETE" WENTE shall receive an easy-rest mattress to rest on after working hours.

As an individual:

- I, NORMA JEAN WOLKE, will my quietness to RUTH STUCKEY.
- I, ROSE WHITE, will my ability to type to MARGARET WASSOM.
 I, LULU BELLE ZIMMER, will my bookkeeping book to any unlucky person.
 - I, CLAUDIUS GOAD, will my job as manager to KENNY ANDRES.
- I, GENE FOX, will my whiskers to RICHARD SMITH.
 I, RICHARD KEPP, will my ability to play basketball to AMOS
 OVERMYER.
 - I, JEANINE BROWN, will my ability to sing to DON KIMERY.
 - I, GILBERT KINGERY, will my best girl to BILL CLARK.
 I, DORIS ICENOGLE, will my Home Economics book to ANN HUFF.
 - I, JULIAN KIMERY, will my shiny limousine to DICK LUEDKE. I, HAZEL BEALS, will my shorthand book to BETTY MUMMEL.
 - I, DOROTHY BEALS, will my loud mouth to SHIRLEY MOORE.
 - I, LOUISE JONES, will my lack of height to GOLDIE HILL.
 - I, JOHN SHUEMAKER, will my new car to BUDDY SANDERS. I, KENNETH WOLF, will my height to BOBBY WILSON.





Kenneth Wolf "Fuzzy"	Betty Baker "Bet"	Claudius Goad "Claud"
F. F. A. 1-3 "N" Club 4 Band 1-2		F. F. A 3 V-Pres. F. F. A 4 "N" Club 4 Basketball Mgr 3-4

Lulu Belle Zimmer	Gene Fox
"Lou"	"Foxie"
Tomahawk4	Tomahawk4
Library 2-3-4	Messenger 2-3
G. A. A 1	
F. H. A 1-2-3-4	
Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Band 1-2-3-4
Band 1-2	Pep Club 1-2-3-4
Messenger 2-4	Library Club 2-3
Glee Club 2-3-4	Class Play 3
Class Play 3-4	Baseball 3-4
Commerce Club 3	Student Council 1-2-3
	Glee Club 3-4

Doris Icenogle "I. C."	Bill Wilson "Bill"	Dorothy Beals "Dot"
Glee Club 2-3-4 G. A. A. 3-4 Messenger 4 Tomahawk 3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4 F. H. A. 4 Class Play 3-4	F. F. A. 1 Off. of F. F. A. 3 Class Officer 2 Basketball Mgr. 2 Basketball 3-4 Class Play 3-4 Tomahawk 4 "N" Club 4 Glee Club 4 Homecoming Court 4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Messenger 2-3 G. A. A. 1-2-3-4 F. H. A. 1-2-3-4 Library 2-3-4 Glee Club 3-4





Henneth Wolf



Betty Baker



Claudius Goad



Lulu Belle Zimmer



Gene Fox



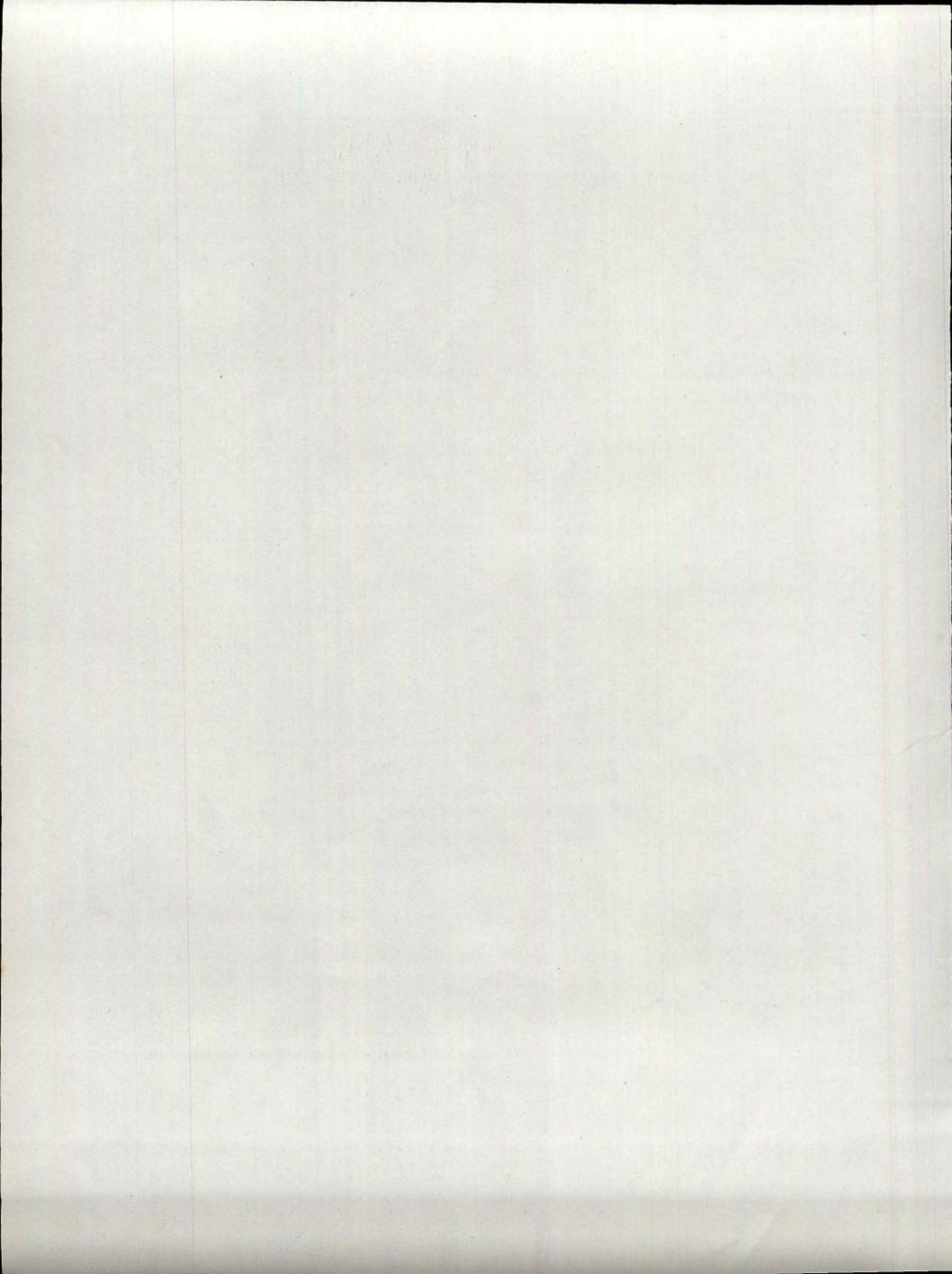
voris Icenogle



Bill Wilson



Vorothy Beals





I, RAYMOND BUSHUR, will my place as Captain of the basketball team to BOB PRICE.

I, JANET GREEN, will my Homecoming crown to DOLORES

WILSON.

I. SYLVE MICHLIG, will my sportsmanship to BARBARA MOORE.

I, BILL WILSON, will my ability to read history to anyone who likes to read.

I, CARL SCOLES, will my misbehavior to CHARLES ROY.

I, MARGE LINDLEY, will my working ability to anyone who likes to work.

I, MARY LOU WENTE, will my man to my kid sister, PATSY.

I, DARLENE GADDIS, will my blonde hair to SHIRLEY DOW.
I, BILL MONTGOMERY, will my duties as President to RUSSELL BLAIR.

I, DON BELL, will my car to my brother, TOM.

I, ELEANOR LOUTHAN, will my cheerleading suit to LOUISE LANE.

I, BETTY BAKER, will my athletic ability to ANN SNYDER.

I, MARY PATRICK, will my broken fingers to anyone who likes doctors.

I, PAULINE BURTON, will my smiles to MRS. BELL.

- I, MARY MORTON, will my diamond ring to MARGARET SAUNDERS.
 - I, RUTH DRENNAN, will my horn lessons to SHIRLEY STEWART.
 - I, PETE STRETCH, will my F. F. A. reporter job to LARRY GREEN.
 I. DICK RAWLINGS will my motor bike to KEITH MYERS.

I, DICK RAWLINGS, will my motor bike to KEITH MYERS.

I, CLEO GOAD, will my smiles to BETTY STUCKEY.

I, DONNA STUCKEY, will my ability to cut stencils to DONNA BEALS.

I, BILL FARR, will my bench sitting at basketball games to DAVID CASSTEVENS.

WITNESSES:

J. SHOOTEMUP N. R. CACTUSTOOTH

D. L. SCREWBALL

CLASS PROPHECY

June, 1949.

Dear Mr. Hance:

I just received a patent on my Tele-future machine. Maybe you would like to know the latest on the 49er's of N, H. S. As you know, I have invented the Tele-future to see what each member will be in that hazy fog of the future.

The first thing I got on my screen was the big game between the Neoga Indians and the Trowbridge Terriors, now both profesional teams in the big league. I saw Kepp out on first and Fuzz in the center field. Fuzz is the "Indians" home-run king, and I could hardly believe my eyes when I noticed





Mary Lou Wente "Goo"	Raymond			Patrick at"
Tomahawk4 G. A. A1-2-3-4 F. H. A1-2-3-4 Commerce Club 3 Glee Club4 Pep Club1-2-3-4 Library Club1-2-3-4	F. F. A. "N" Club Glee Club Basketball Basketball Pep Club Homecomin	4 3 4 Captain 4 3-4 3-4 ng Court 4 3-4	G. A. A. F. H. A. Glee Club Pep Club Class Play	1-2 1-2 1-2 4 1-2-3-4 3-4 Club 3
	d Bell Dong"	Cleo "Clo		
Glee Club	4 3 1-2-3-4 Club 3	Tomahawk Messenger F. H. A. Glee club Pep Club	2-3-4 1-2-3-4 4	

Norma Jean Wolke "Norm"	Carl Scoles "Cedric"	Louise Jones "Weezie"
Library 2-3-4 F. H. A. 2-3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Homecoming Court 3 Messenger 4 "N" Club 4 Glee Club 3-4 Basketball 1-2-3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4 Softball 1 Baseball 2-3-4	F. H. A. 1-2-3-4 G. A. A. 1-2-3-4 Glee Club 3-4 Pep Club 1-2-3-4



Mary Lou Wente



Raymond Bushur



Mary Patrick



Vonala Bell



Cleo Goad



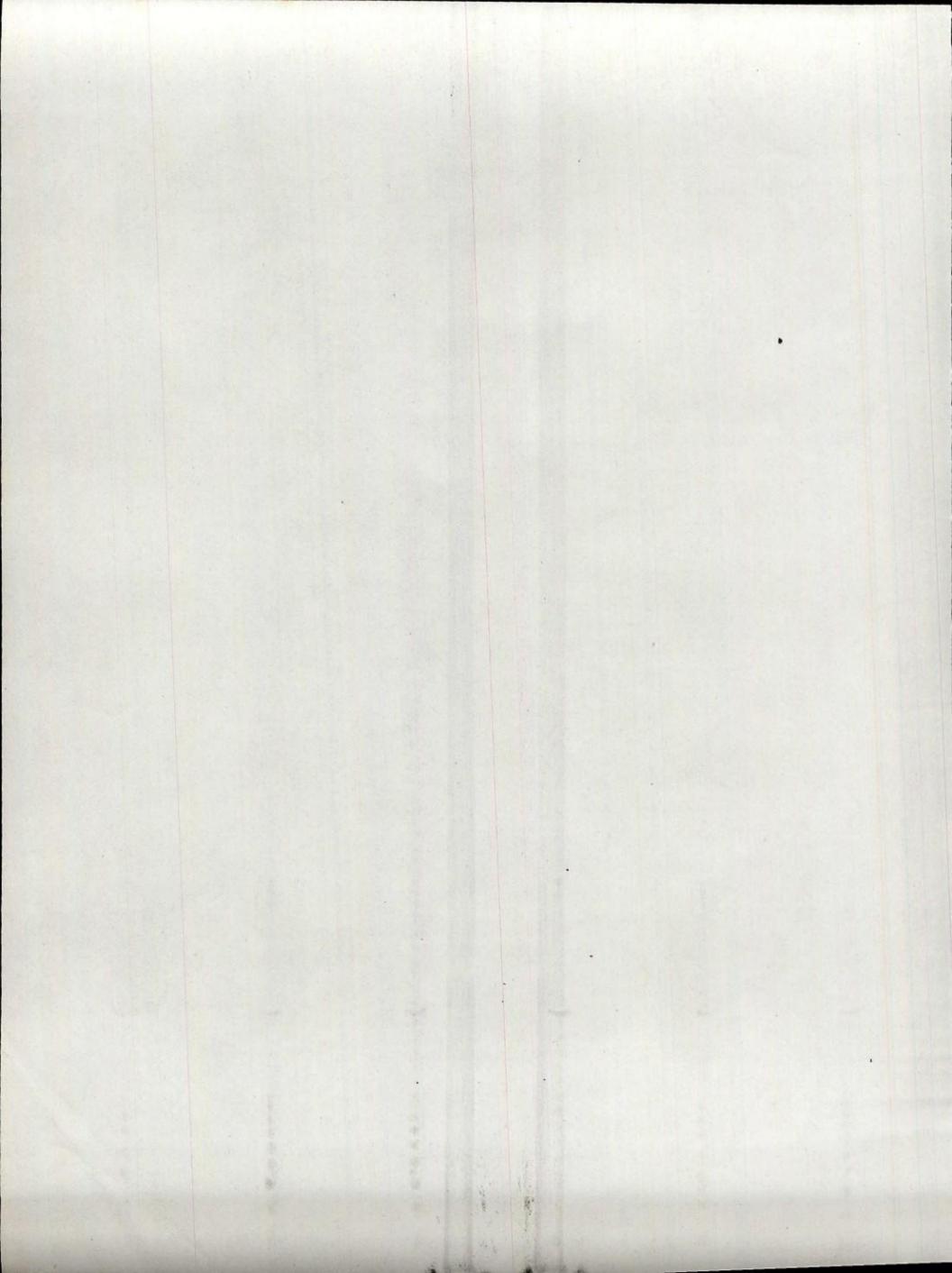
Norma Jean Wolke



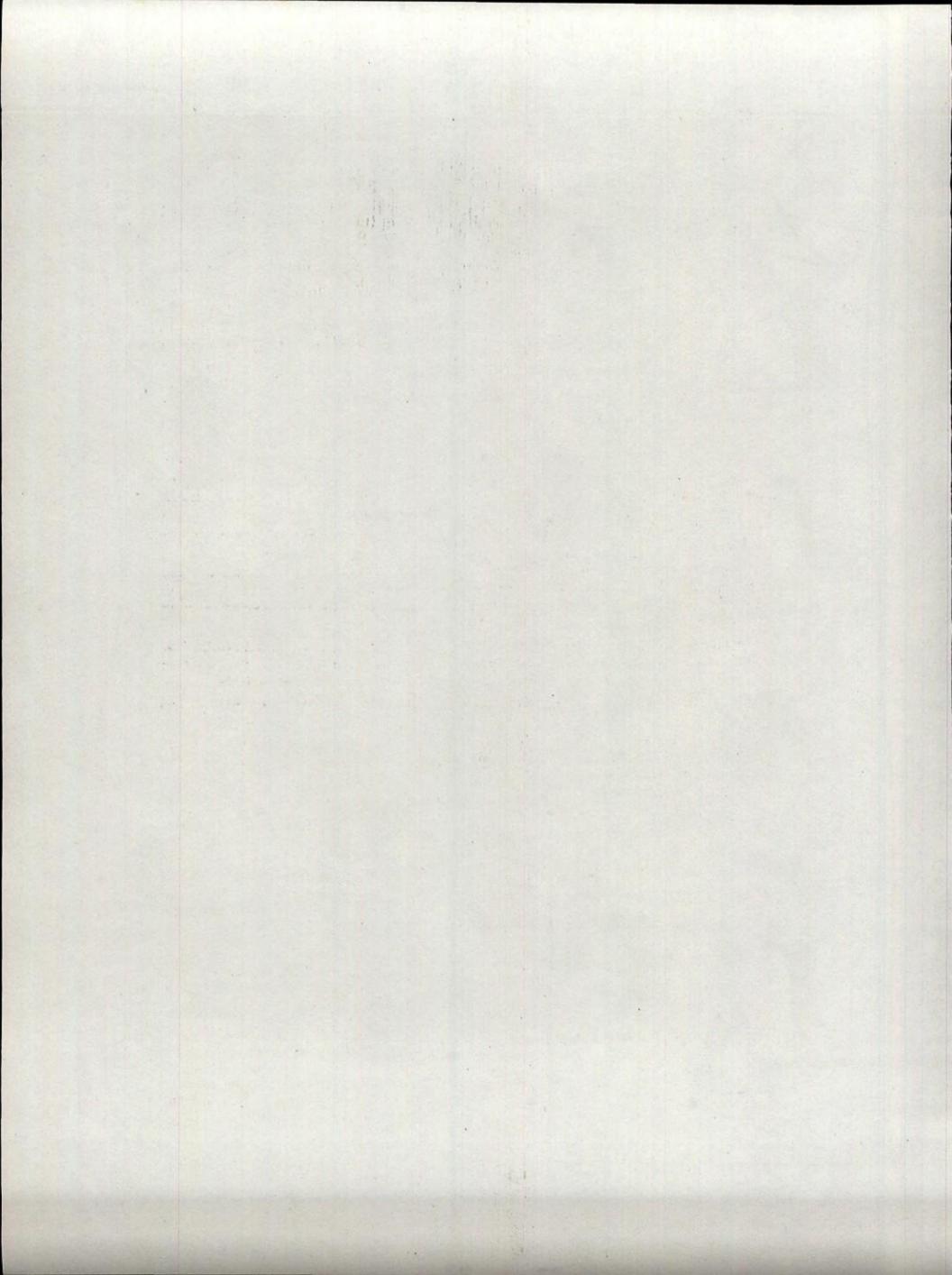
Carl Scoles



Souise Jones









who the umpire behind the plate was. It was Bill Farr, the basketball hot rod of N. H. S. back in '49.

I turned the button and what should I get but Metropolitan Opera. Sylve Michlig is the contralto who has gained much fame. Pete Stretch is the conductor of the orchestra, also, Sylve's husband. She is still a domineering wife.

Across the street, at the Black Front Cafe, Donald Bell is playing the piano for the chorus line. The gorgeous brunette third from the left was none other than Dorothy Beals. The former Norma Jean Wolke, now Mrs. Bell, was keeping her eye on Don.

Next I saw Carl Scoles as president of the Mid-Continent Map Company. It seems his wife, Janet, gave him his start in business.

You probably know by now that Dean Gordon is coach at U. C. L. A. He coaches one of the best basketball teams on the west coast. Due to a disappointment in love while in high school he has remained a confirmed bachelor.

Eleanor and Bill Wilson have just cleared the mortgage on their farm. The first thing they are going to buy is a new car. Bill had worn the '49 Buick out courting Eleanor in high school days. On an adjoining farm Doris Icenogle has settled down to pig raising. I see her prize shoat won a blue ribbon at the county fair.

John Shuemaker, the rich playboy casanova of Neoga, has just broken his engagements to Pauline Burton, Cleo Goad, and Ruth Drennan because he found he really loved Mary Patrick who has been pursuing him ever since high school days.

Hazel Beals has started a rooming house for the young hepefuls of the stage. Louise Jones and Betty Baker are trying to crash the movies. Our fair Darlene Gaddis is really a star on the Montgomery-Kingery Picture lot.

Mary Morton, Lulu Belle, and Rose White settled down to married life and seem very happy.

Donna Stuckey, now Mrs. Julian Kimery, has been editor of the Chicago Tribune for the past five years. She obtained her experience by working on the Messenger staff during her high school days at Neoga.

Raymond Bushur is now the proud possessor of an Alligator farm in Florida. His wife, Jeanine Brown, supervises the Alligator Purse and Shoe Company.

I must sign off for now. Tonight I am going to Gene Fox's Night Club, the famous "Dew-Drop-Inn". The chef, our own Dick Rawlings, gets very perturbed over orders of hamburgers and french fries, which is my favorite. Did you know Claudius Goad is the brawny bouncer? Oh, yes; Mary Lou Wente and Marge Lindley are the cigarette girls. They are still waiting for visits from Mattoon. I can hear Gene's haunting refrains of Stardust now.

Signed:

Your friend and former student, Julian "Duke" Kimery





JUNIORS

MOST POPULAR	Bob Price	Dolores Wilson
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Richard Smith	Ann Huff
BEST PERSONALITY	Russell Blair	Margaret Wassom
BEST DRESSED	Dale Morton	Eloise Haskett
COMEDIAN	Roth Iler	Virginia Horn
BEST MUSICIAN	Ken Andres	Ann Snyder
BEST ATHLETE	Bob Price	Dolores Wilson
BEST SCHOLAR	Richard Smith _	Ann Huff
GIGGLER	Russell Blair	Shirley Kelshimer
BEST DANCER	Richard Smith	Dolores Wilson
CLASS TRUANT	Cleo True	Charlotte Evans





PIONEERS



RECORD OF THE PIONEERS

The years come and the years go, but this Junior class can boast a fine record of starting to high school with thirty members and keeping this number throughout the three years. The officers elected to be responsible for the class are: Bob Price as president; Kenny Andres, vice-president; and Louise Lane, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Drake have been the sponsors of the class.

You have seen the Junior class behind many events here at Neoga High School this year. Some of these include the Junior Class Play, Prom, and their help in presentation of the Carnival.

The class is proud of their male members who help make up the athletic teams. We are well represented in all sports by both boys and girls. Members of the class have been active in FHA, FFA, GAA, basketball, baseball, Library Club, Spanish Club, chorus, band, Pep Club, Messenger, and the "N" Club. Dolores Wilson, Shirley Kelshimer, and Richard Smith were elected from the class as cheerleaders to lead the Pep Club in backing up the basketball team. Dolores Wilson and Bob Price represented the Juniors in the Homecoming Court.

We are proud of the record we have made in N. H. S. and we are equally proud to be called the Class of '50.



Bob Price Pres.



True



Patsy Wente



Ken Andres Vice/Pres.



Shirley





Ann Huff



ane



Delores Wilson



Jim Parker



Goldie Hill



Bob Zimmer

Dale Morton



Betty



Dick





Tommy Bell



Hnn Snyder





Charlotte Leo Evans



True



Shirley Russel Kelsheimer Blair





Ruth Stuckey



Roth



Margaret Wassom



Richard Smith



Virginia



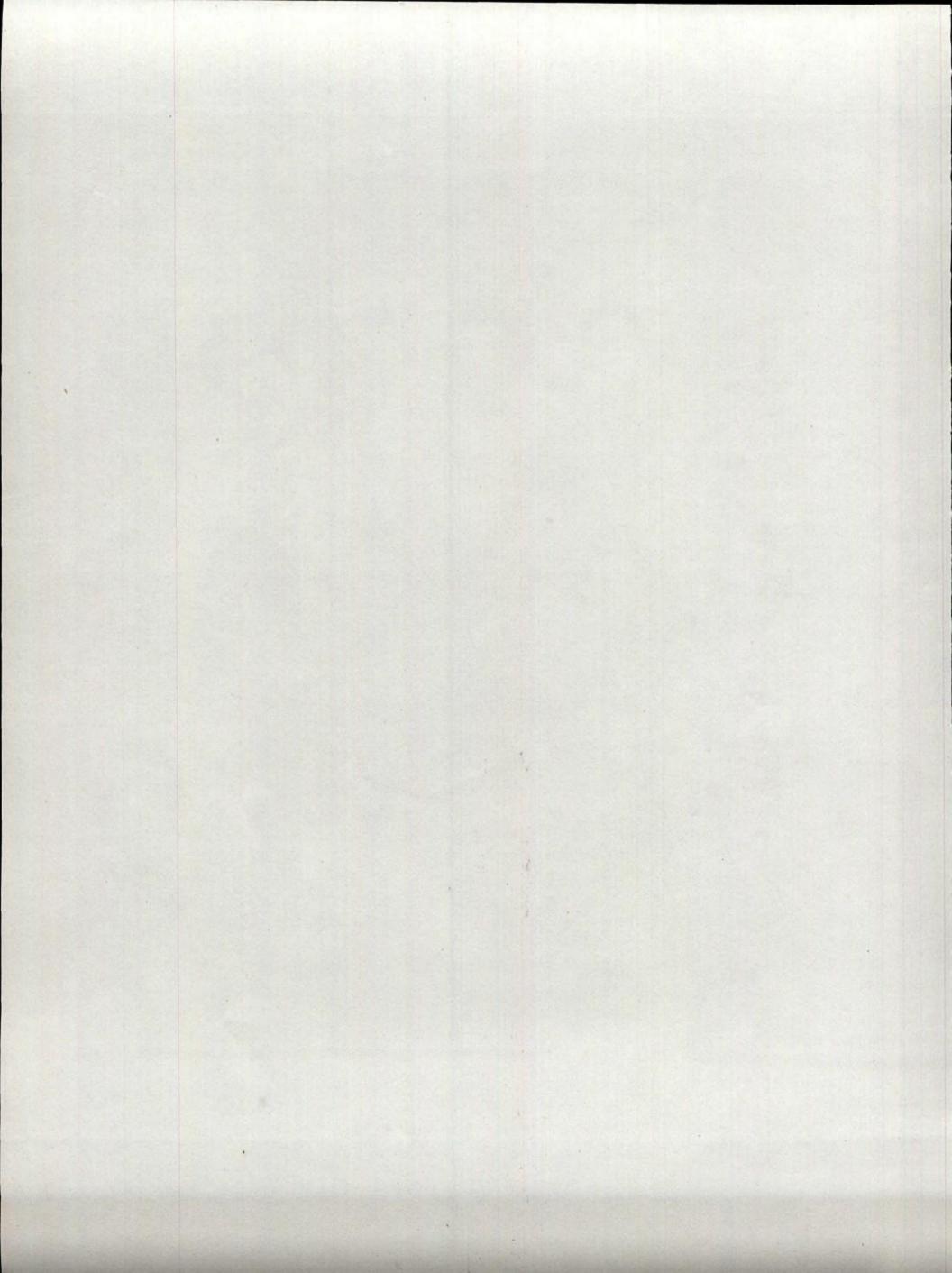
Eloise Haskett Beals



Donna



Margaret Saunders





FRONTIERSMEN





RECORD OF THE FRONTIERSMEN

There were forty-one sophomores that enrolled at N. H. S. last fall. Our class sponsors are Miss Rasmussen and Mr. Leming. Our officers are: Don Stewart, president; Phyllis Wilson, vice-president; and Mary Ann Hartke, secretary-treasurer. Dulcey Brown was our vice-president before she moved to Florida.

The Sophomore class had charge of the Freshmen Initiation. The Freshmen received some tough sentences from Judge Bushur and her jury. We also sold more Junior Class Play tickets than any of the other classes. The reward for this was a Sophomore-Junior party.

Harold Starwalt was elected sophomore cheerleader of the N. H. S. "Red Peppers."

Members of the class have been active in FHA, FFA, GAA, Pep Club, Library Club, Messenger, chorus, basketball and baseball.

SOPHOMORES

MOST POPULAR	Donald Stewart Norma Barrett
BEST PERSONALITY	Richard Morgan Phyllis Wilson
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Donald Stewart Nancy Lawrence
BEST DANCER	Donald Stewart Mary Ann Hartke
BEST DRESSED	Donald Stewart Donna Fort
COMEDIAN	Earl Price Barbara Moore
BEST MUSICIAN	Charles Roy Pat Bushur
BEST ATHLETE	Earl Price Pat Bushur
BEST SCHOLAR	Donald Stewart Juanita Patrick
GIGGLER	Richard Morgan Mary Ann Hartke
CLASS TRUANT	Jim Lindley Donna Fort





Don Stewart Pres



Betty Beals



Bill Clark





Doris Hagen



Odis Hatten





James Lindley



Norma Barrett



Patricia Bushur



Cecil Hardesty



Nancy Lawrence



Lucille Michlig



Ida Jane Andrews



Duloy Brown



Donna



Robert



Barbara



Jack Anderson



Jack Beals



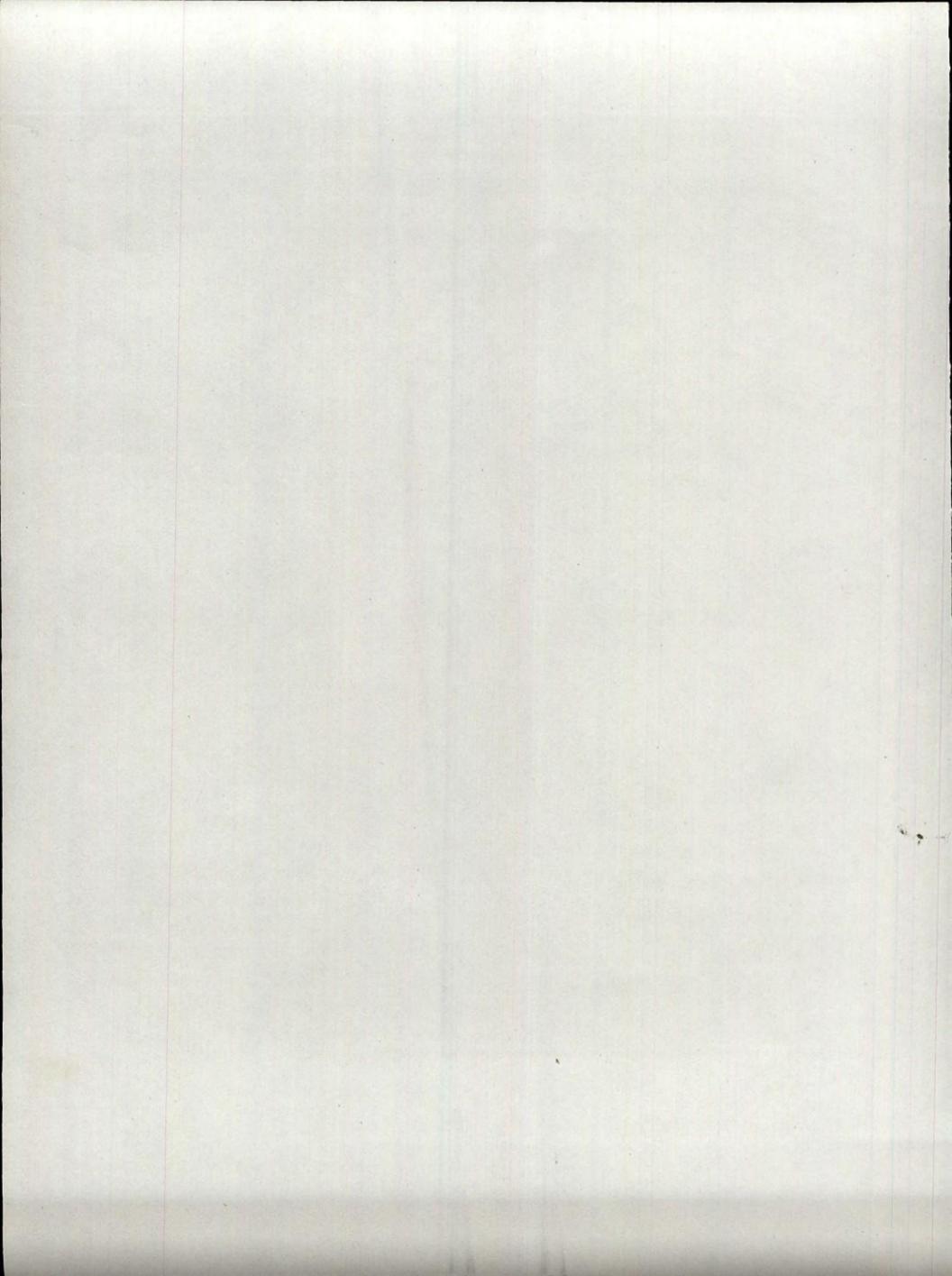
Gene Fear



Elizabeth Hellman



Richard Morgan





Keith Myers



Earl Price



Frances Shroeder



Harold Tipton



Fern Nichols



Christ ine Pugsley



Joyce Senteney



Maxine Walk



Dean Overmyer



Charles Roy



Harold Starwalt



Roy Walk



Juanita Patrick



Wanda Ryder



Roy Strohl



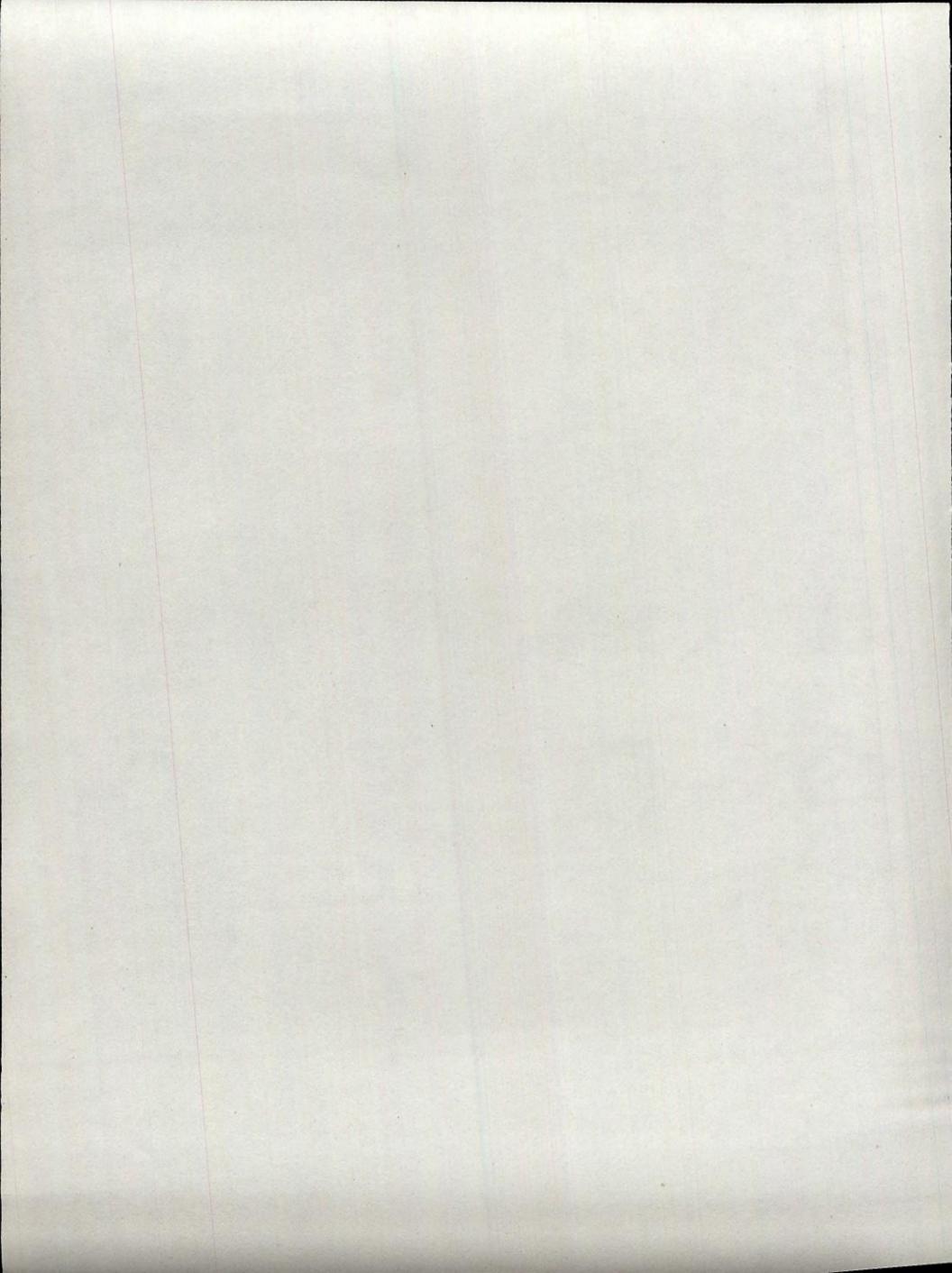
Bill Wente



Buddy Sanders



Charles Price





SETTLERS



RECORD OF THE SETTLERS

Forty-one timid boys and girls began their Freshman year at N. H. S. this fall. With Mrs. Holladay and Mr. White as faculty sponsors the following officers were elected: Shirley Stewart, president; Betty Stuckey, vice-president; Richard Mettendorf, secreary-treasurer.

The all-school Initiation Party was held in the Study Hall on September 24, 1948, at 7:30 P. M. We received some gruesome sentences from Judge Bushur and her jury.

Members of the class participated in such activities as GAA, FHA, FFA, chorus, band, and Pep Club.

Last but not least, I want to give all the teachers a great big hand for I'm sure it took a lot of gumption to teach such a loud-mouthed, rough, and hard-to-please bunch of "Freshies".

FRESHMEN

MOST POPULAR	Leroy Fox Donette Ferris
BEST PERSONALITY	Leroy Fox Donette Forris
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Jim Wilson Shirley Wright
BEST DANCER	Chris Wold Donette Ferris
BEST DRESSED	_Chris Wold Donette Ferris
COMEDIAN	Bob Wilson Darletta Fosbinder
BEST MUSICIAN	David Casstevens Shirley Stewart
BEST ATHLETE	Leroy Fox Shirley Stewart
BEST SCHOLAR	Leroy Fox Shirley Stewart
GIGGLER	David Casstevens
	Darletta Fosbinder Leroy Fox Betty Mummel































Hazel Overmyer

















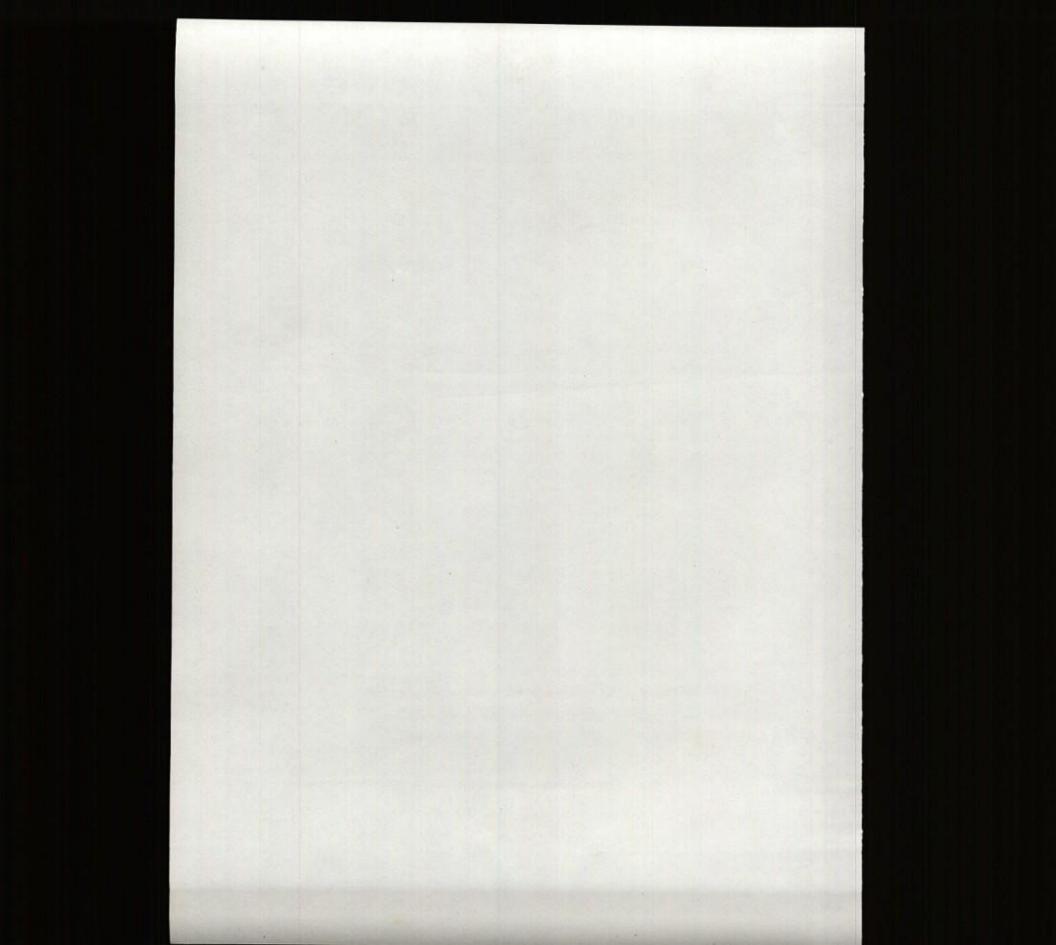
Joanne Bell



Eloise Konrad



Fern Morton





Chris



Donnette Ferris



Lawrence Green



Judy Parker



Jack McKibben



Joan Gilbert



Irene Andrews



Eileen Ingram



Virginia Fuller



Donald Kimery



Darletta Fosbinder



Joana Morgan



Dwight Johnson



Shirley Wright



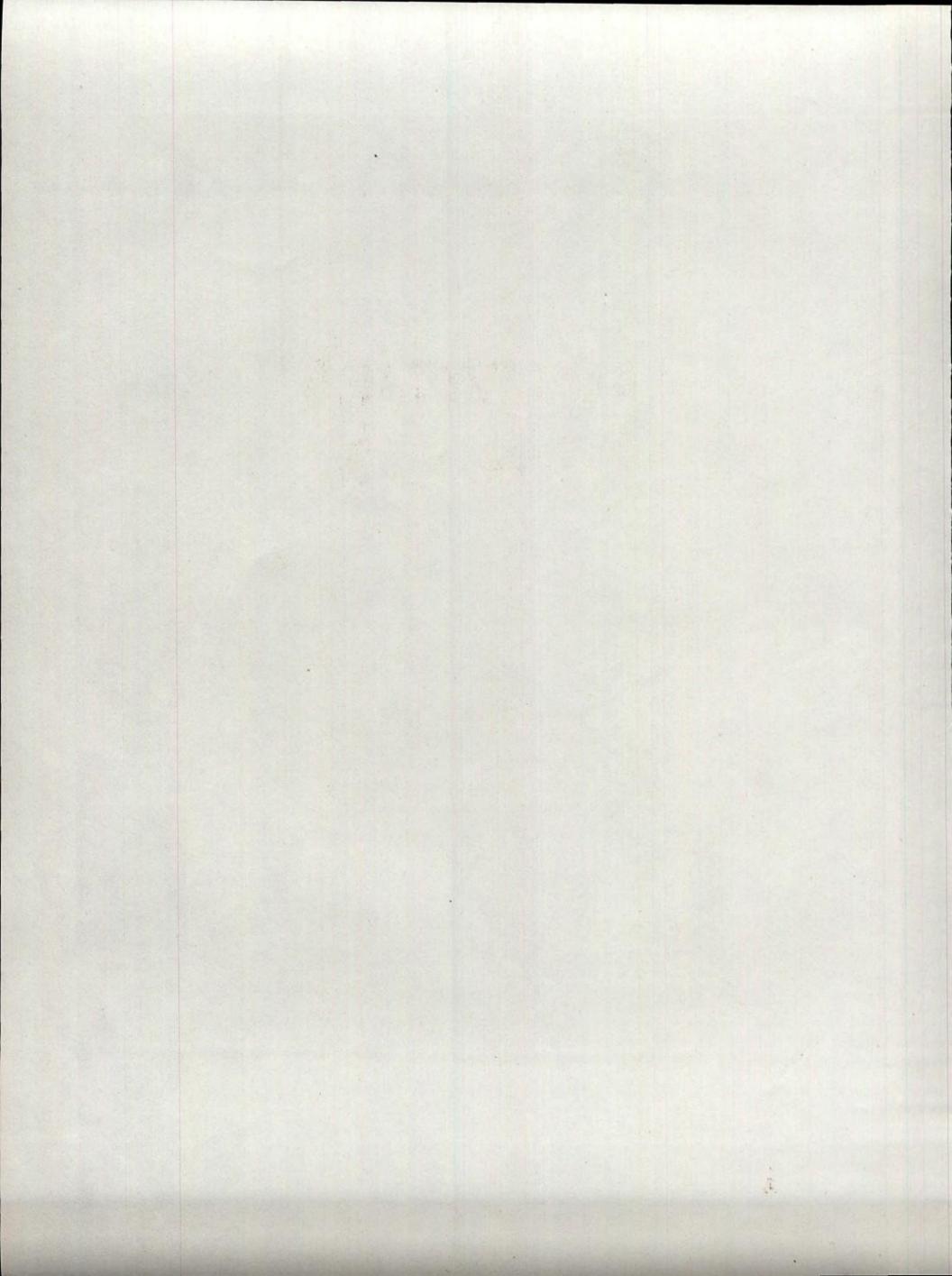
Beverly Salzman



Virginia Storm



Shirley





ACTIVITIES OF N. H. S.

HOMECOMING

SPORTS

ORGANIZATIONS and CLUBS

MUSIC

DRAMATICS





HOMECOMING

The senior class of N. H. S. prepared the biggest homecoming week ever held in Neoga. The celebration began with a Christmas Concert held December 20.

The next evening after the Teutopolis "B" team defeated the Neoga "B" team, all students and alumni arranged themselves around a big bonfire and had a regular pep meeting.

The next gala event took place on the afternoon of December 22 in the form of an Alumni Tea which was served by the Home Ec. IV girls.

The main event of the week, the annual game between Teutopolis and Neoga, ended in another victory for Teutopolis. After the ball game the traditional Homecoming Dance was held in the assembly, which was decorated in accordance with the theme "49'er's". Jack Crews and his orchestra played in the front of a covered wagon back-drop. The corners of the assembly were made to resemble a desert with cactus; the ceiling was decorated with blue and gold streamers; the windows resembled covered wagon silhouettes. A rail fence and campfire in front of the spectators completed the theme.

The coronation was held promptly at 10:00 P. M. The Queen and King of 1947, Judy Green and Jim Buchanan were present to place the crowns on Queen Janet Green and King Bill Montgomery, the Royalty of 1948. The attendants were: Eleanor Louthan and Raymond Bushur, Jeanine Brown and Bill Wilson, Dolores Wilson and Gilbert Kingery, and Donna Stuckey and Bob Price.



HOMECONING



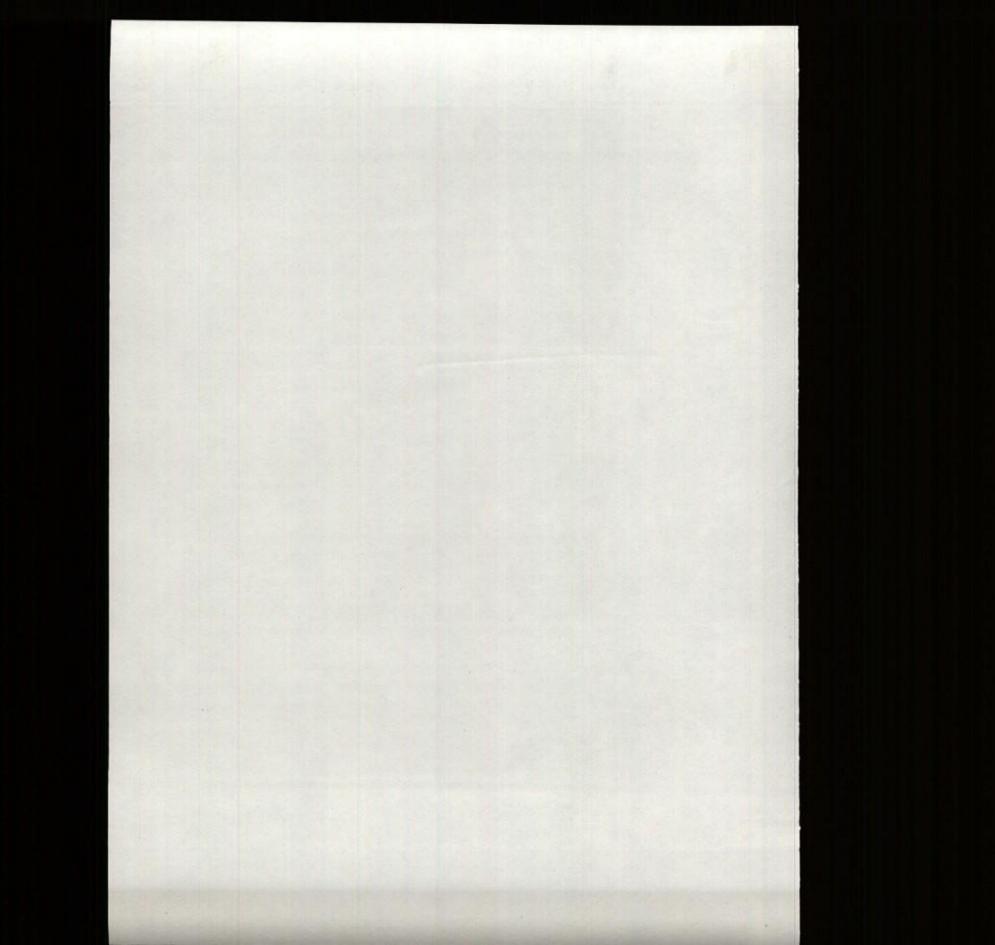
DECEMBER 22













BASKETBALL

Several boys turned out from all classes this year to try their skill at throwing the ball through the hoop. The squad was soon cut to ten members for the first squad and 18 for the "B" team. The boys enjoyed the most successful season for Neoga in several years, winning 18 and losing 12.

The Indians played in four tournaments: The Neoga Holiday Tournament, the National Trail Conference Tourney at Beecher City, the District Tournament at Bethany and the Regional Tourney at Mattoon. They lost to Strasburg in the first game of the Holiday Tournament and were thus eliminated. Having improved considerably since the Holiday Tournament, the boys captured third place in the NTC Tournament by defeating Cowden and Beecher City after losing to Teutopolis, the champions, in the first game. After upsetting a highly rated Windsor team in the first game of the Bethany District, the boys went on to capture the crown and earned the right to compete in the Mattoon Regional by defeating Atwood and Findlay. The Indians met Greenup in the first game of the Mattoon Regional and won a hard fought game from the "Blue Devils". This game advanced them to the semi-finals against Tuscola. The "Warriors" and Corky Waters proved too much for the boys and they were eliminated from the State tournament series.

The boys were coached by Loren E. Taylor and Ray Bushur was elected as captain. This was Taylor's second year at Neoga.

At the close of the season the squad was honored by two banquets; the traditional National Trails Banquet at St. Elmo and our own annual banquet held in the gym. All enjoyed a very fine meal after which Varsity, second team and cheerleading letters were awarded by Coach Taylor. To Ken Wolf was awarded the Most Valuable Player trophy and Richard Kepp was presented the Free Throw trophy.

1948-1949 BASKETBALL SEASON

	NEO	GA HOLIDAY	TOURNAMENT	
Neoga		25	Strasburg	40
	NATIONAL	TRAIL CONFI	ERENCE TOURNAMENT	
Neoga		32	Teutopolis	57
Neoga		49	Cowden	40
Neoga	(3rd place)	51	St. Elmo	44
	BETH.	ANY DISTRIC	T TOURNAMENT	
Neoga		38	Windsor	34
Neoga		39	Atwood	29
Neoga	(Champs)	38	Findlay	36
	MATTO	OON REGION.	AL TOURNAMENT	
Neoga		53	Greenup	40
Neoga		42	Tuscola	58
		TOTALS FOR	THE SEASON	
	18 Wins		12 Losses	





WHERE PLAYED	SCORE			SCORE
Teutopolis	68	Neoga		26
St. Anthony	23	Neoga		34
Neoga	46	Stewardson		48
Neoga	39	St. Elmo		36
Beecher City	27	Neoga		35
Neoga	61	Toledo		50
Neoga	55	Teutopolis		90
Stewardson	25	Neoga		33
Neoga	37	Cowden (C). T.)	31
Neoga	50	Strasburg		57
Brownstown	61	Neoga		38
Neoga	71	Humboldt		35
Strasburg	66	Neoga		52
Humboldt	39	Neoga		56
Neoga	36	St. Anthony		24
Neoga	39	Beecher City		37
Charleston	47	Neoga		33
Greenup	35	Neoga		36
Neoga	45	Altamont		57
Newton	63	Neoga		58
Toledo	45	Neoga		72

BASKETBALL SQUAD

Raymond Bushur — It was captain Bushur's honor to receive the Bethany District trophy. He probably played his best ball in this tournament. Ray possessed the best eye for the basket of any on the squad. Due to a lack of experience he was never quite able to show his true form in a game. He scored 90 points to rank sixth in total points scored.

Bill Farr -- The "Senator" could always be heard during a close contest. He climbed from a sophomore manager to the first team his senior year. Bill had lots of fight. His best game was against Strasburg.

Dean Gordon — After a slow start, Dean finally began to show the form expected of him. His rebounding was inconsistent, but when it was good it was outstanding. His best weapon was a deadly pivot shot which couldn't be guarded. Dean scored 362 points this season to lead the squad. His 27 points in the Mattoon regional was his best contribution to the Indian cause.









"KEPP"







COACH

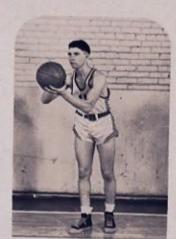




"SENATOR"

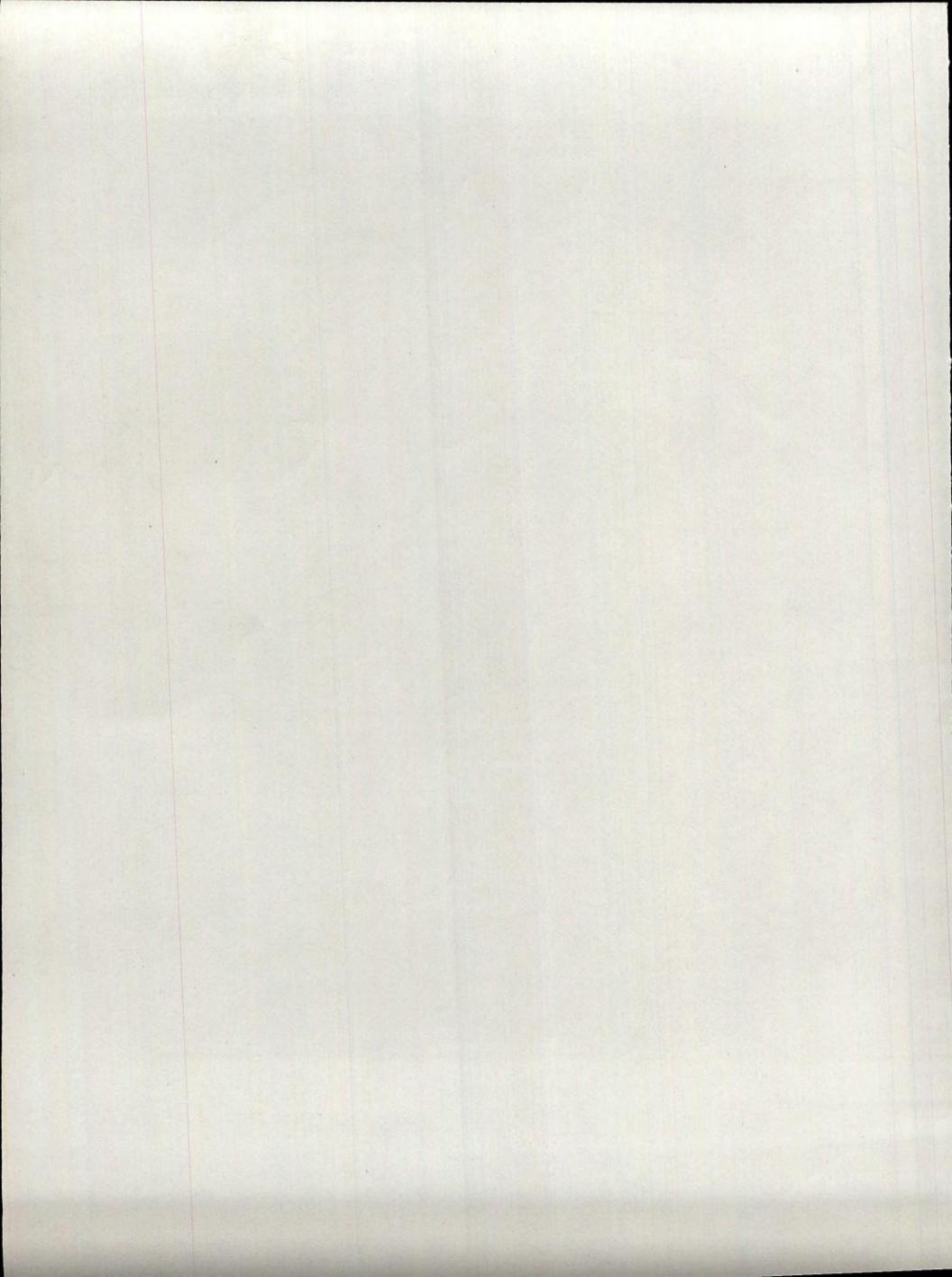


"CEDRIC"



"BUSHUR"







Carl Scoles — Carl will be remembered longest for his shot which won the Bethany district trophy against Findlay. Carl started slow but probably improved more than any member of the squad. His fine faking and wicked drag shot won the approval of all loyal fans. His rebounding was good and was at best when the going was tough. Carl scored 218 points for the year which was second best on the squad. He led the squad in conference scoring with 76 points.

Bill Wilson — Bill was another manager who fought his way up to the first squad his senior year. He had lots of speed and had developed a deadly long shot toward the end of the season.

Ken Wolf -- Ken was the rugged type which is so necessary for a winning team. The upsets pulled this year were due in large part to his rebounding. "Fuzz" was voted the most valuable player on the squad by his teammates. He scored 194 points to rank third on the squad. Ken's improvement over last year was outstanding. His rebounding power will be hard to replace.

Richard Kepp — Richard was a sensation as a freshman. He didn't improve much but was already good enough to stay in the fight for four years. His specialty was a long shot. Keppie scored 131 points this season to rank fifth in scoring. He won the free throw trophy presented to the champion each year by hitting 25 out of 41 attempts.

Gilbert Kingery ... Gib was the "fightingest" Indian of them all. He was probably the most consistent player and by far the best ball handler. He was our best defensive man and played many ontstanding games this season. Gib scored 165 points to rank fourth on the squad in scoring.

Bill Montgomery — Bill's greatest handicap was a lack of speed. He made up for this on several occasions this year with some very accurate shooting. When Bill was "on" he just couldn't miss.

Robert Price -- Bob is the only returning letterman on the squad. He was one of the fastest men on the squad. He developed a good shot and scored heavily during the first of the season but went into a slump which he just began to pull out of during the tournaments. He was best when he was needed most. He won a few games in the final seconds. Greenup should remember him.





BASKETBALL SQUAD

First Row: Leo Hardesty, Carl Scoles, Bill Wilson, Bill Montgomery, Dean Gordon, Capt. Bushur, Ken Wolf, Richard Kepp, Gilbert Kingery, Bill Farr.

Second Row: Coach Taylor, Sr. Manager Goad, Don Brady, Cleo True, Chris Wold, Don Stewart, Tommy Bell, Russell Blair, Earl Price, John Flood, Soph. Manager Tipton, Fresh. Manager Bob Wilson.

Third Row: David Casstevens, Bill Wente, Don Walk, Dale Morton, Keith Myers, Leroy Fox, Roy Walk, Charles Roy, Max Gilbert, Jim Wilson.

"N" CLUB

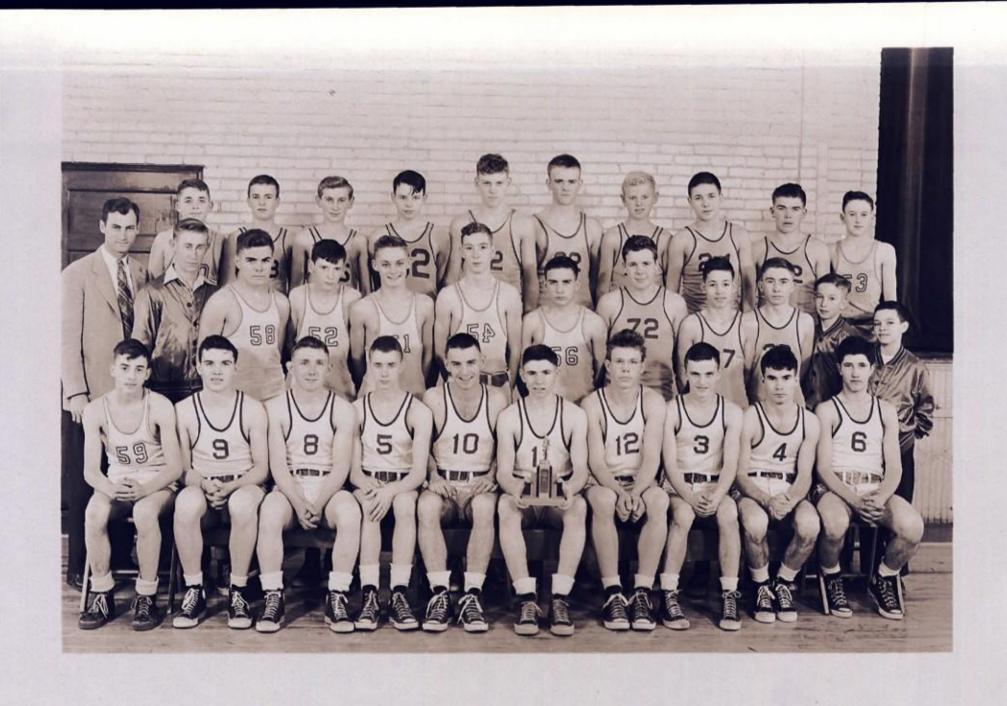
A new club was introduced into our midst this year called the "N" Club. This club was formed by the five major letter winners. Members were admitted if they had won a letter in basketball in their past years in high school. There are twenty-one members in the club at this time. Officers were elected out of the five major letter winners. They are Richard Kepp, President; Gilbert Kingery, vice-president; and Dean Gordon, secretary-treasurer. Coach Taylor is our advisor. The main purpose of the club is to promote fellowship and better sportsmanship among the boys.

First Row: Mr. Taylor, Dean Gordon, Bill Wilson, Ken Wolf, Don Stewart, Keith Myers.

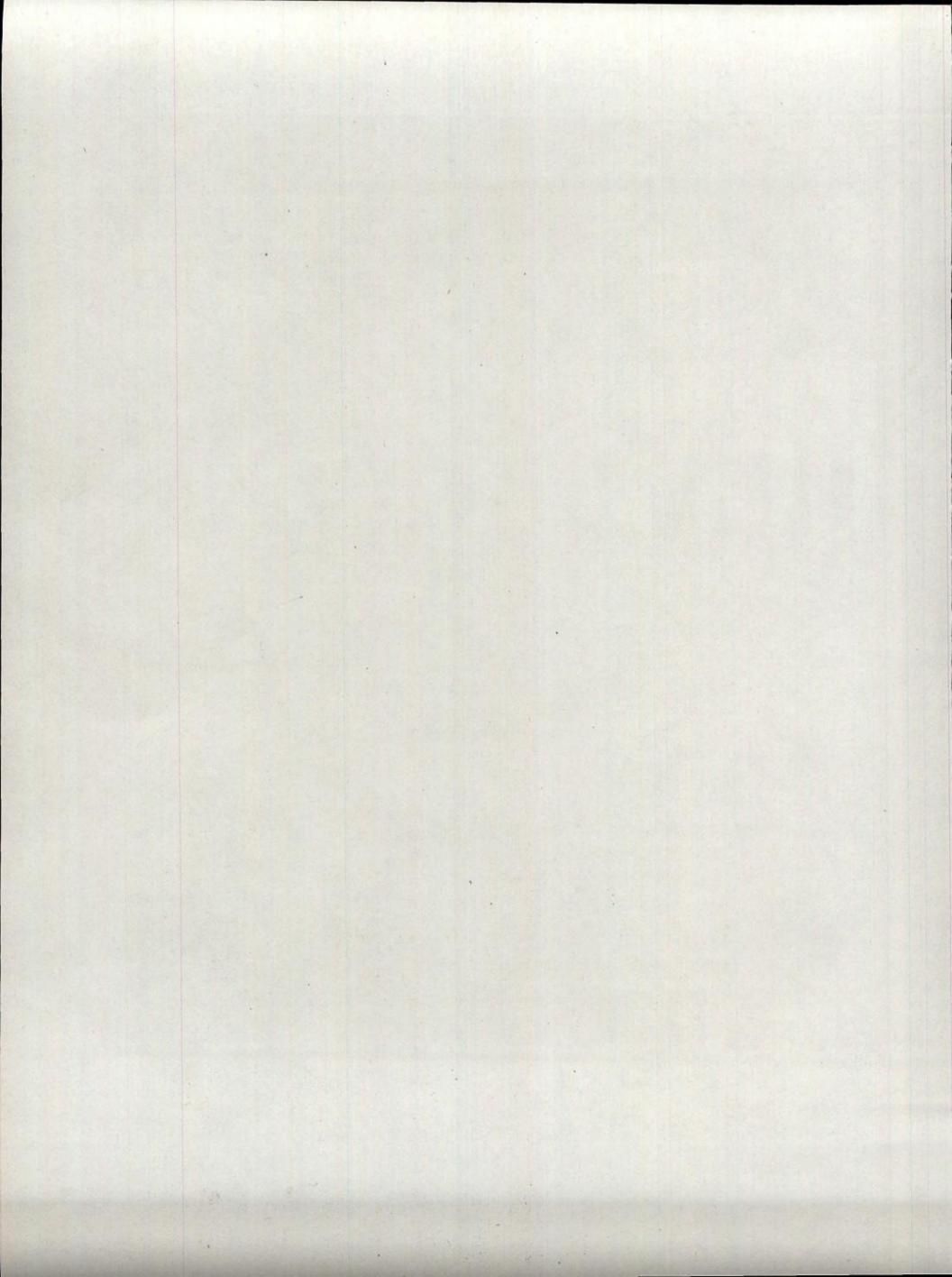
Second Row: Bill Farr, Raymond Bushur, Bill Montgomery, Carl Scoles, Gene Fox, Gilbert Kingery, Richard Kepp.

Third Row: Bill Wente, Don Walk, Tom Bell, Dale Morton, Bill Clark, Russell Blair, Claudius Goad, Roy Walk, Leo Hardesty, Charles Roy, Earl Price.











BASEBALL SEASON

Soon after school started last fall Coach Taylor called the first baseball practice. There were about 25 boys who reported, but the squad was soon cut to 15 players. All players on the team were back from the previous year, with the exception of a short stop and battery. After about three days of hard practice we opened our season with a win over Cowden at Jennings Park.

SEASONS RECORD

	We	They
Cowden	8	2
Altamont	3	4
Beecher City	14	10
Teutopolis	6	14
Brownstown	0	3
Altamont	2	7
Brownstown	2	12
Teutopolis	3	7

Carl Scoles -- Scoles was our regular pitcher for the season. His greatest handicap was a lack of experience as he played outfield last year. He learned fast and proved very effective when he was "on". He was fourth best batter with a .266 batting average.

Richard Kepp -- Keppie was our regular first baseman. He was a good defensive man and very dangerous at bat. His keen eye won him many a base on balls. He was our best base runner.

Bob Price -- Bob played second base and sometimes right field. He was a good hitter and fast on his feet. His greatest asset was speed.

Don Stewart - Don played shortstop for the Indians this season. He also served as a relief pitcher and had plenty of "steam" on the ball.

Gilbert Kingery -- "Gib" played third for the Indians this season. He could pick up the ground balls and peg'um to first with ease. He was second only to Bushur at the bat and ended the season with a very good .381 average.

Gene Fox -- "Gene" was one of our catchers. Since this was his first season behind the plate he did exceptionally well. He was a good batter in the clutches.

Dean Gordon - Dean played left field and seldom missed a high fly ball. He could also hit very hard.

Kenneth Wolf -- "Fuz" played center field and did a good job. He was also a good hitter, having ended the season with .305 batting average.

Raymond Bushur — "Ray" played some at second and some at right field. He was good on defense and the best hitter. He finished the season with an amazing .440 batting average.

Bill Montgomery -- "Bill" was our substitute pitcher. He had good control and helped keep the Indians in many a ball game.





Keith Myers - "Feets" was our substitute catcher. He is only a Sophomore and will be our regular catcher next season.

Earl Price — Earl was our outfielder. He has a good arm and can cover lots of ground. He is only a Sophomore and will be heard from later.

Bob Wilson - Bob doesn't let size handicap his playing ability. He drags many high fly balls into his glove. He can really move.

BASEBALL TEAM

First Row: Ken Wolf, Bill Montgomery, Gene Fox, Ken Andres, Keith Myers, Don Stewart, Richard Kepp, Dean Gordon.

Second Row: Coach Taylor, Earl Price, Carl Scoles, Russell Blair, Leroy Fox, Gilbert Kingery, Pob Wilson.

GIRLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

At the first meeting of this school year, a group of thirty G. A. A. members met mainly to select a good corps of officers. This they did, and they are as follows: President, Eleanor Louthan; Vice President, Janet Green; Secretary-treasurer, Dolores Wilson; Reporter, Darlene Gaddis; Points Chairman, Ruth Stuckey.

Eight girls attended a Play Day at Charleston in the fall and we are planning to attend another Play Day for which the time and place has not been set as yet.

Sports clubs have been organized for eight-week periods. Two clubs meet each week on Monday and Wednesday during the 8th period. The two activities now taking place are volleyball and basketball. Later on we will form softball and deck-tennis clubs.

Basketball-schedule pencils were sold in order to pay for G. A. A. awards.

Reading down, left-first row: Norma Barrett, Donette Ferris, Dorothy Beals, Doris Icenogle, Patsy Wente, Darlene Gaddis, Lucille Michlig.

Left-second row: Mary Ann Hartke, Judy Parker, Donna Stuckey, Mary Lou Wente, Donna Fort, Marge Lindley, Betty Stuckey.

Center, first row: Virginia Horn, Juanita Ballinger, Louise Jones, Maxine Walk, Ruth Stuckey, Eleanor Louthan.

Center, second row: Shirley Stewart, Rose White, Pauline Martin, Ida June Andrews, Janet Green, Dolores Wilson.

Right-first row: Margaret Saunders, Donna Beals, Sylve Michlig, Eloise Haskett, Joanna Sue Morgan, Patricia Bushur, Mrs. Bell, Virginia Storm.

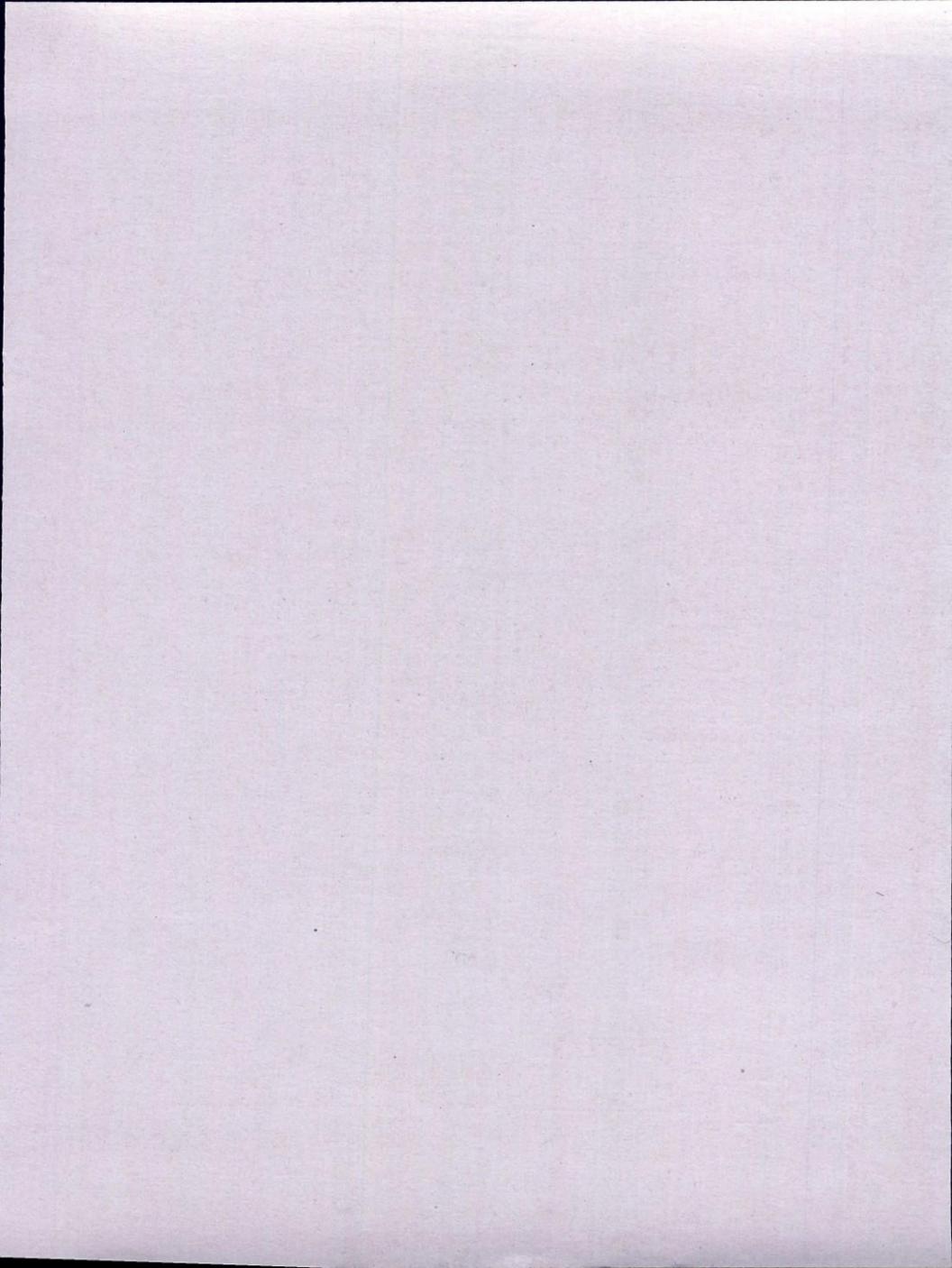
Right-second row: Ann Snyder, Jeanine Brown, Margaret Wassom, Louise Miller, Darletta Fosbinder, Betty Beals, Mrs. Drake.













THE FIRST TEN

First Row: Bill Wilson, Bob Wilson, Claudius Goad, Harold Tipton, Bill Farr. Second Row: Coach Taylor, Raymond Bushur, Dean Gordon, Bill Montgomery, Kenneth Wolf, Carl Scoles, Gilbert Kingery, and Richard Kepp.

THE SPANISH CLUB

The two sections of Spanish 1 have combined to make a Spanish Club. The club is to extend our interests in Spanish-speaking countries and people. This is the first year Spanish has been taught in this school. The club is made up of 23 students. They started the year off by electing Ann Snyder, president; Charles Roy, vice-president; Ann Huff, secretary-treasurer; and Richard Smith, reporter. A constitution was written and approved by the members. The name of the club is "El Mejor Circulo" or translated it means "The Best Club".

First Row: Miss Campbell, Dolores Wilson, Ann Snyder, Charles Roy, Ann Huff, Nancy Lawrence, Juanita Patrick.

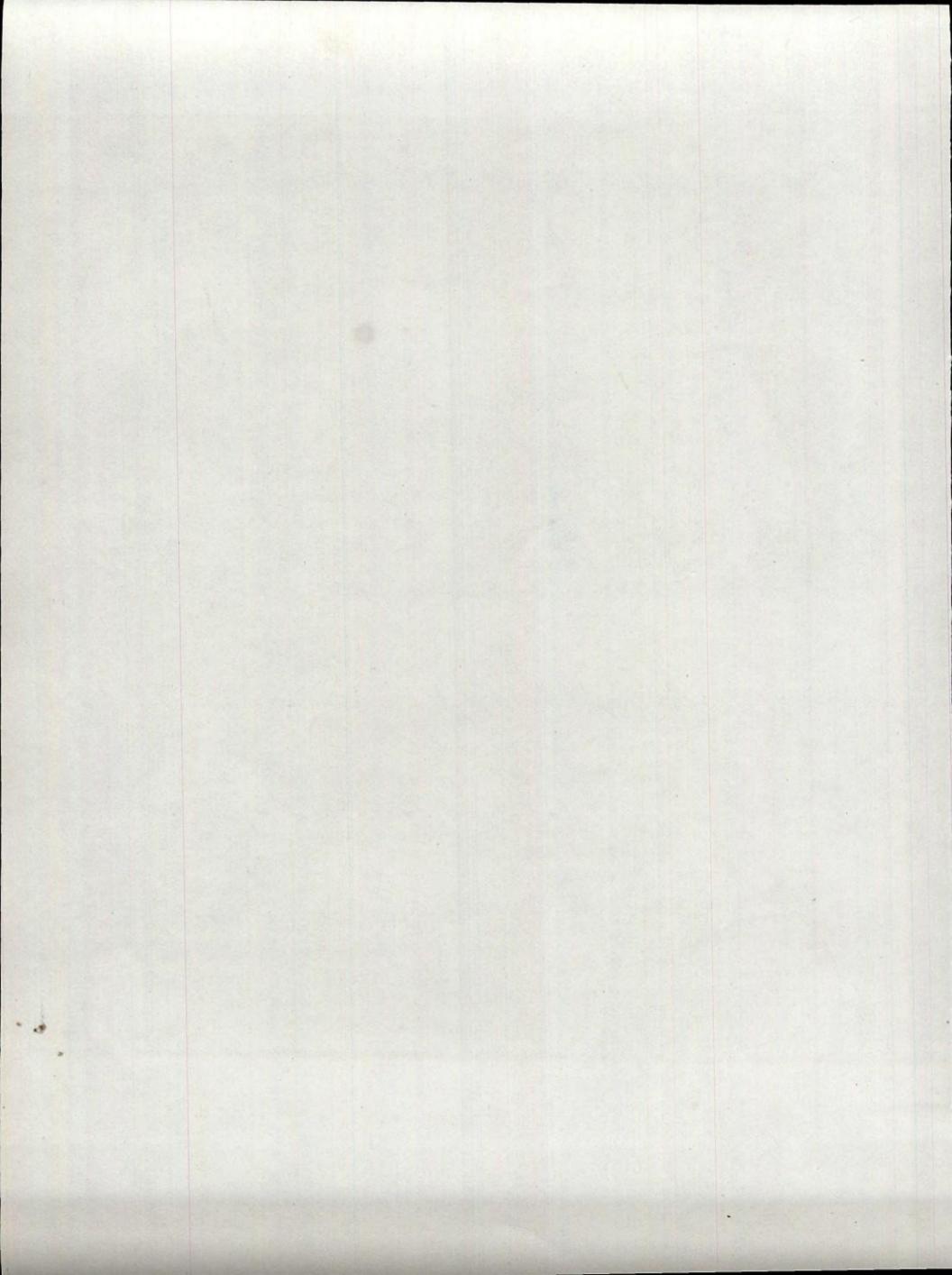
Second Row: Barbara Moore, Bob Price, Shirley Wright, Betty Mummel, Fern Nichols, Shirley Moore, Margaret Saunders, Margaret Wassom.

Third Row: Pat Bushur, Gene Fox, Leo True, Bob Zimmer, Don Stewart, Russel Blair, Richard Smith, Jim Lindley, Virginia Horn.











INTRA-CLASS TOURNAMENTS

The intra-class tournaments were played on March 22 and 24 by both the girls and the boys.

The girls opened the tournament by the Junior girls trouncing the Freshmen girls 42-5. The second game of the evening was another one-sided affair, with the Senior boys smothering the Freshmen by a 63-20 score. The final game of the evening was a thriller, with the Junior boys finally beating the Sophomore boys in an over-time with a score of 36-32.

The refreshed teams returned on Thursday for the final game in the boys tourney and the second round of the girls tourney.

The Sophomore girls beat the Senior girls 24-21. In the consolation game of the evening, the Sophomore boys beat the Freshmen 48-9. The Seniors won the championship game from the Juniors 58-27.

The girls played their championship game on Monday of the following week. The Juniors were victorious over the Sophomores 30-18.





MESSENGER

On every third Wednesday of the month, the staff meets and plans its monthly school paper. With the guidance of Mrs. Drake, the faculty advisor, Dean Gordon as editor, and Louise Miller as junior-editor, a very interesting paper is published.

MECHANICAL STAFF

Seated of left: Eleanor Louthan, Ann Snyder, Bill Montgomery, Janet Green, Lucille Michlig, Norma Jean Wolke.

Seated on right: Margaret Saunders, Donna Peals, Eloise Haskett, Donna Stuckey.

Standing: Richard Smith, Louise Miller, Mrs. Drake, Juanita Patrick, Dean Gordon.

MESSENGER REPORTERS

Seated: Doris Icenogle, Sylve Michlig, Louise Miller, Dean Gordon, Donna Fort, Pat Wente, Jeanine Brown.

Standing: Mrs. Drake, Richard Kepp, Julian Kimery, Nancy Lawrence, Carl Scoles, Gilbert Kingery, Mary Ann Hartke, Norma Barrett, Judy Parker, Betty Baker, Dolores Wilson, Margaret Wassom, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Ruth Stuckey.

LIBRARY CLUB

Because most of the students like to read, a library club was organized for this year for the purpose of teaching our librarians more about the work of the library and to assist students with their library work. The duties of the librarians consist of such work as dusting shelves, keeping books in order, mending books, and checking books and magazines in and out of the library.

At the end of last year the officers of this club were elected to serve throughout this year. Dolores Wilson was elected president, Louise Miller, vice-president; Sylve Michlig, secretary; Janet Green, treasurer; and Eleanor Louthan, head librarian. The sponsors of this club and to direct us are Miss Rasmussen and Miss Neal.

The new members for this year are: Lucille Michlig, Nancy Lawrence, Donna Fort, Norma Barrett, Richard Smith, Barbara Moore, Betty Beals, Mary Ann Hartke, Patricia Bushur, Elizabeth Hellman, Charles Price, Jim Lindley, and Juanita Patrick.

First Row: Miss Rasmussen, Dolores Wilson, Lucille Michlig, Nancy Lawrence, Pat Bushur, Donna Fort, Norma Barrett, Pat Wente, Louise Miller.

Second Row: Mary Lou Wente, Betty Beals, Barbara Moore, Juanita Patrick, Margaret Saunders, Ann Suyder, Donna Beals, Eloise Haskett.

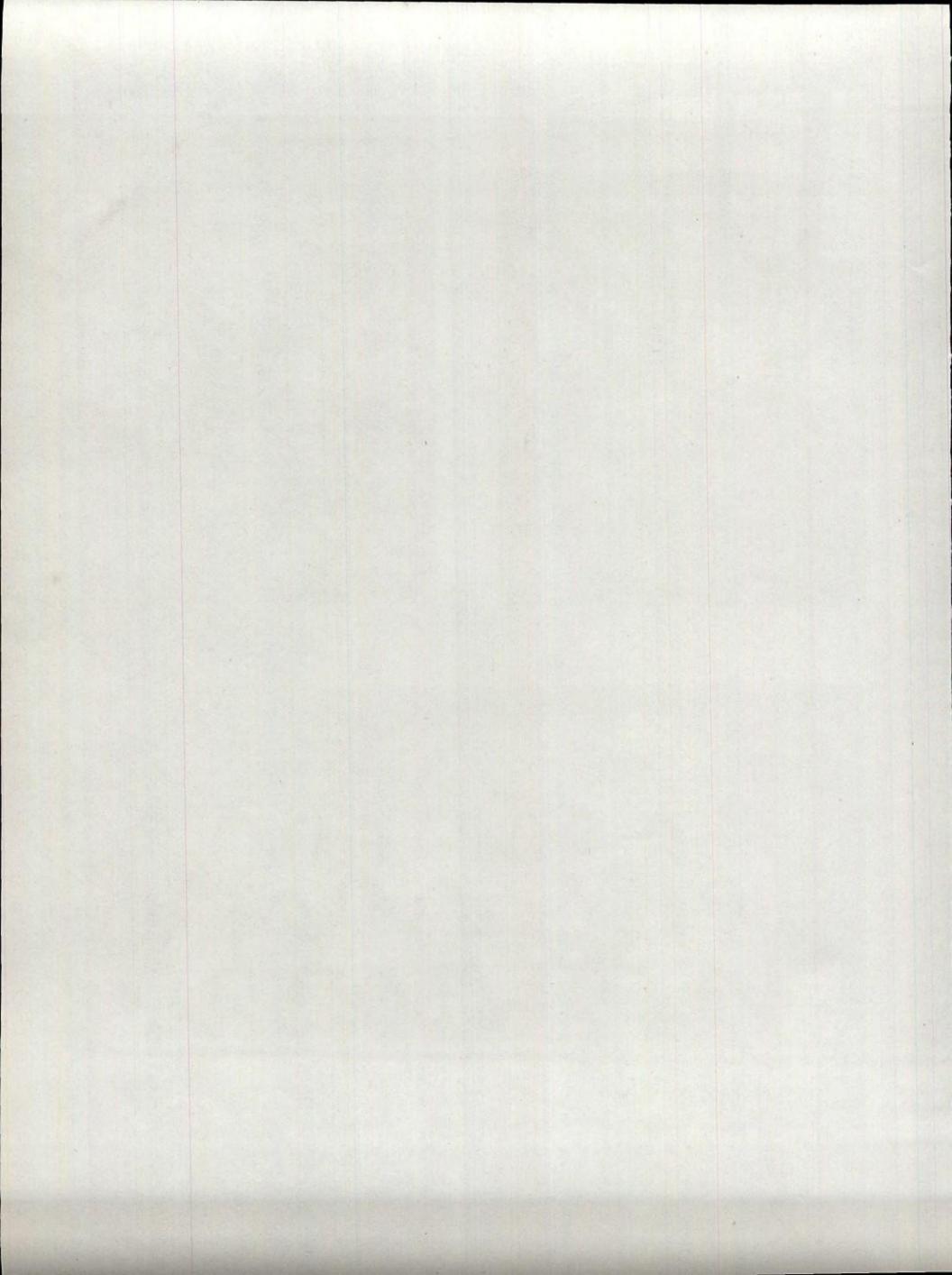
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MIXED CHORUS

Mrs. Holladay recruited over a hundred students this year to form the mixed chorus. Its music has been enjoyed greatly by all in the community. They have appeared at the Christmas Concert, Spring Concert, and Baccalaureate Services. Some of the outstanding numbers have been: Dry Bones, Old Man River, Ave Maria, and The Bells of St. Mary's. Everyone is pleased with the progress the chorus has made this year.





THE BAND

The Neoga High School Band which consisted of twenty-one pieces when they made their first public appearance at the County Teachers Meeting, has increased to the Spring Concert number of thirty-four pieces.

Under the capable direction of Mrs. Holladay, the band was required to play at all home basketball games, at a few of the pep metings, at the dedication of the new unit school on route 121, and of course the annual Spring Concert.

In the later part of October, the Band Club was organized and the election of officers was as follows: President, Dean Gordon; Vice-president, Kenneth Andres; Secretary, Ann Snyder; Treasurer, Pat Bushur; and Librarian, David Casstevens.

If the band progresses as nicely as it has been, Mrs. Holladay will have her wish fulfilled with a snappy fifty piece band.

Reading down, left: Ann Snyder, Bill Farr, Nancy Lawrence, Martha Kraft, Barbara Stewart, Shirley Stewart, Marilyn Lawrence, Ruth Drennan, Lavonna True, Pat Bushur.

Diagonal: Doris Icenogle, Phyllis Oakley, Bob Wilson, Richard Mettendorf, Louise Miller, Jo Ann Meyers, Carol Evans, Darletta Fosbinder, Lucille Michlig, Dean Gordon, Bill Alexander.

Right: Julian Kimery, Gene Fox, Charles Roy, Juanita Ballinger, Dolores Wilson, Maxine Walk, Ken Andres, Sylve Michlig, Marion Oakley, and David Casstevens.

MIXED CHORUS

First Row: Richard Smith, Ken Andres, Bill Montgomery, Bill Wilson, Tom Bell, Jim Wilson, Don Stewart, John Flood, Ken Wolf, Max Gilbert, Bob Wilson, David Casstevens, Harold Tipton.

Second Row: Eloise Konrad, Patsy Wente, Mary Ann Hartke, Jeanine Brown, Darletta Fosbinder, Darlene Gaddis, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Donna Beals, Sylve Michlig, Lucille Michlig, Pat Bushur, Donna Fort, Betty Cordes, Louise Lane, Virginia Storm.

Third Row: Mrs. Holladay, Barbara Moore, Betty Beals, Shirley Moore, Ann Huff, Margaret Wassom, Norma Barrett, Eileen Ingram, Marjorie Lindley, Nancy Lawrence, Juanita Patrick, Joana Morgan, Doris Icinogle, Janet Green, Margaret Saunders, Eloise Haskett, Ann Snyder, Louise Miller, Joyce Senteney, Fern Morton, Joan Gilbert, Shirley Wright, Dolores Wilson.

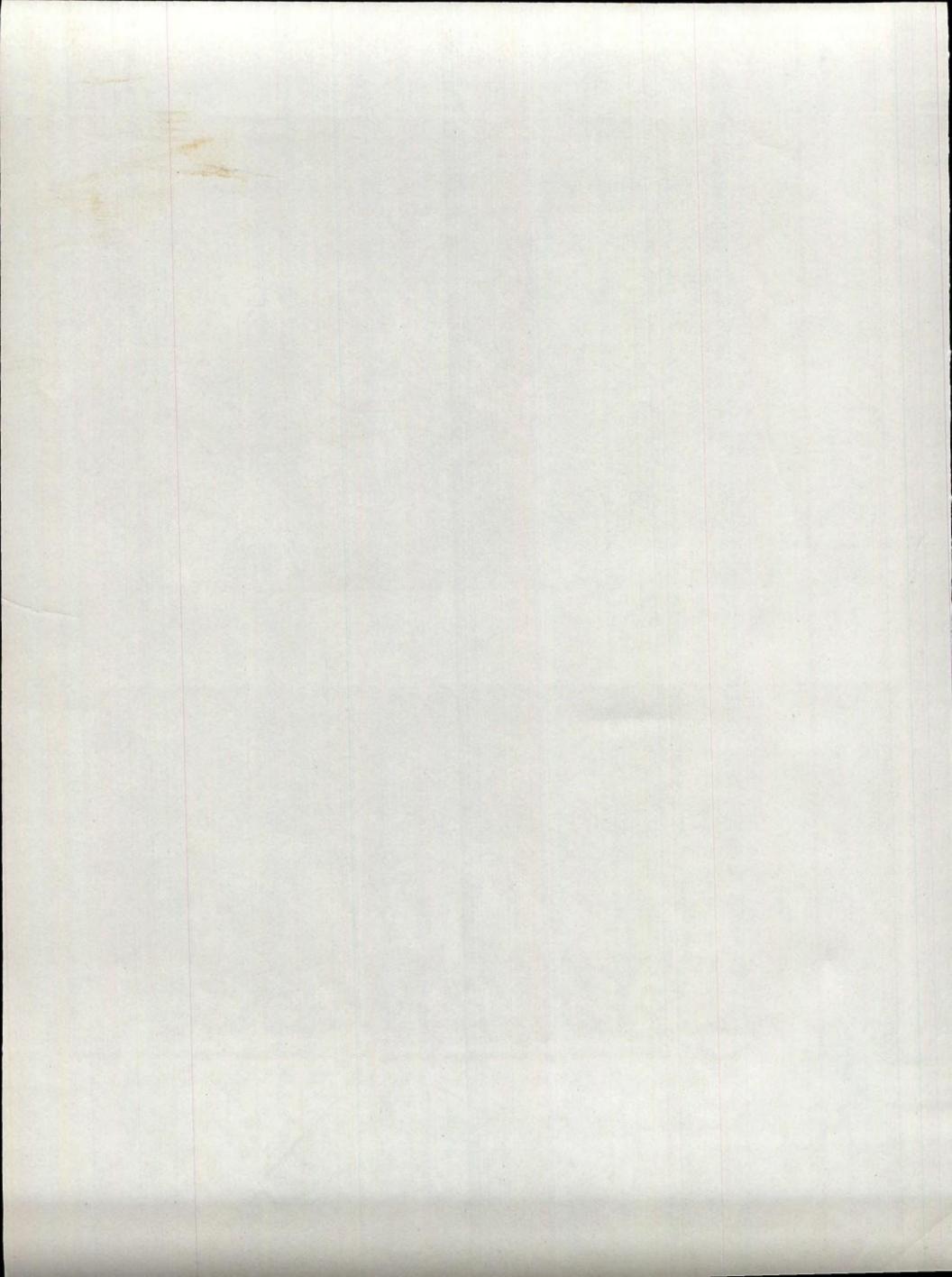
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Fifth Row: Dwight Johnson, Don Kimery, Don Brady, Jack Anderson, Charles Price, Jack McKibben, Gene Fox, Carl Scoles, Julian Kimery, Dean Gordon, Gilbert Kingery, Richard Kepp, Chris Wold, Ray Bushur, Leroy Fox, Charles Roy, Jack Doll.











CHORAL GROUPS

At the beginning of the present school year Mrs. Holladay organized three Choral Groups; namely, Boys' Chorus, Girls' Chorus, and the combination of the two, Mixed Chorus.

With the aid of such fine solo sopranos as Jeanine Brown and Shirley Kelsheimer, Girls' Chorus gave excellent performances at both the Christmas Concert and the Spring Music Festival. With an enrollment of nearly sixty, they gave beautiful renditions of "Ave Maria" and "Little David Play On Your Harp".

The male group, numbering approximately 45 members, also gave some very outstanding performances during the current season. They sang a number of selections at the Christmas Concert on December 20th, and several more, including the beautiful "Desert Song" at the Spring Music Festival. Star soloist of this group was Richard Kepp.



BOYS CHORUS

First Row: Max Gilbert, Bob Wilson, Jim Wilson, John Flood, David Casstevens, Richard Smith, Tom Bell, Gilbert Kingery, Chris Wold.

Second Row: Mrs. Holladay, Harold Tipton, Jack Anderson, Ken Andres, Don Stewart, Dean Gordon, Carl Scoles, Julian Kimery, Charles Price, Ray Bushur, Richard Kepp.

Third Row: Don Kimery, Dwight Johnson, Robert Koester, Jack Doll, Gene Fox, Bill Montgomery, Ken Wolf, Bill Wilson, Leroy Fox, Don Brady, Jack McKibben, Charles Roy.

GIRLS CHORUS

First Row: Virginia Storm, Dolores Wilson, Pauline Martin, Goldie Hill, Shirley Wright, Joan Gilbert, Fern Morton, Phyllis Wilson, Mary Patrick, Louise Lane.

Second Row: Mrs. Holladay, Pat Wente, Mary Ann Hartke, Jeanine Brown, Darletta Fosbinder, Darlene Gaddis, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Donna Beals, Sylve Michlig, Lucille Michlig, Pat Bushur, Donna Fort, Betty Cordes.

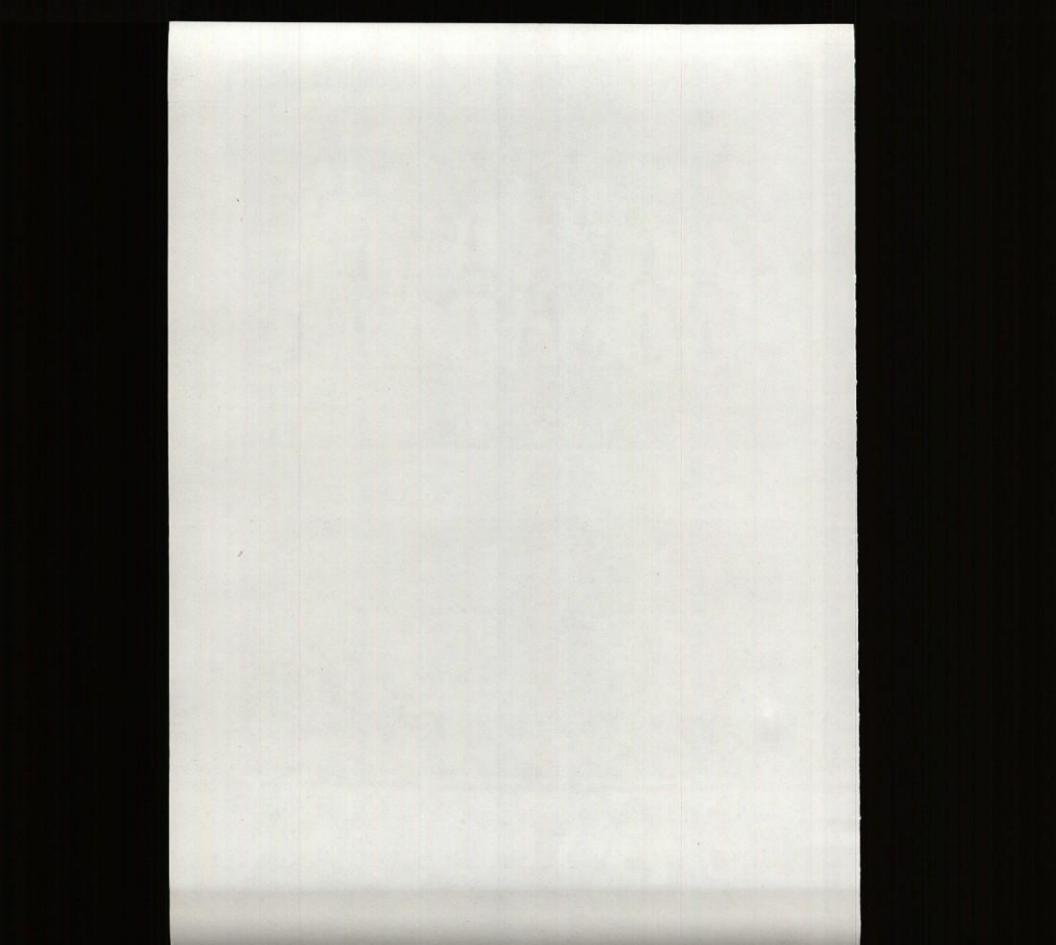
Third Row: Barbara Moore, Eloise Konrad, Betty Beals, Shirley Moore, Ann Huff, Margaret Wassom, Norma Barrett, Eileen Ingram, Marjorie Lindley, Nancy Lawrence, Juanita Patrick, Joana Sue Morgan, Doris Icenogle, Janet Green, Margaret Saunders, Eloise Haskett, Ann Snyder, Louise Miller, Joyce Senteney.

Fourth Row: Christine Pugsley, Eleanor Louthan, Virginia Horn, Shirley Stewart, Dorothy Beals, Mary Morton, Mary Lou Wente, Ruth Stuckey, Norma Jean Wolke, Donna Stuckey, Cleo Goad, Rose White, Betty Stuckey, Donette Ferris, Juanita Ballinger, Louise Jones.











JUNIOR CLASS PLAY "Bolts & Nuts"

This hilarious three-act comedy was centered around a spooky old mansion that Miss Rebecca Bolt had inherited from her deceased brother. Due to Rebecca's psychiatric interests, the mansion is turned into a sanitarium for patients with phobias and nervous diseases, much to the dismay of her niece, Benita; whereupon the "nuts" start to pour in and the fun begins in earnest.

Complications arose as Rebecca searched for her deceased brother's money, which he had left hidden about the house, providing in a freak will that a portion of it was to go to anyone who found it. It soon became apparent that the patients were faking their phobias in order to search for the money. Twink Starr, the niece's young fiance, found the money any Rebecca greedily consented to their marriage, providing he give all the money to her. Benita and Twink could then marry without opposition and Cadwalleder, Rebecca's gentleman friend of years ago, consented to marry her, so all ended happily.

CAST

Rebecca Bolt, Manager of the Sanatarium	Donna Beals
Benita Bolt, Rebecca's niece	Shirley Kelsheimer
Lutie Spinks, The maid who winks	Virginia Horn
Martha Grubb, The Cook	
Twink Starr, Benita's fiance	Ken Andres
Dr. Hippocrates Joy, A psychiatrist	Roth Iler
Henry Goober, The porter	Richard Smith
Phineas Plunkett, A lawyer	
Miss Prunella Figg, A patient	Dolores Wilson
Cadwalleder Clippy, A patient	Jim Parker
Mrs. Gertie Glossop, A patient	Eloise Haskett
Wilbur Glossop, Mrs. Glossop's son	Don Walk
Jack Gordon, A young interne	Tom Bell





"SPRINGTIME FOR SUSIE"

A carnival of laughs, written in a breezy and ingratiating manner. Meet the Lorraine family, Laura Lorraine bosses her henpecked husband, Sam, much to his and his brother Wayne's annoyance. Susie Smith is a girl from a ranch down in Texas. When news arrives that she is coming for a visit with the Lorraine family, it was too much for Laura. She insists that Sam meet Susie, and take her to a hotel so that she can rest from her long journey, and then ship her back to Texas. But Wayne complicates things by bringing Susie to the Lorraine household. He tells her of the true situation in the Lorraine household, and Susie agrees to don a Western outfit and impersonate a wild and wolly westerner. Laura's blood pressure mounts as Susie thinks of new ways and means to shock the snobbish Laura.

In addition to Susie's arrival Wayne's best pal, Jud Jones an artist, has engaged two professional models to pose for him at his studio. Jud meets a girl and falls violently in love with her, and becomes engaged. Jud takes his fiance to his studio, and she saw the two models, thinks they are friends of Jud's and walks out on him. This sets up more complicated matters. But at the end every one is happy again, and Sam is happier than anyone.

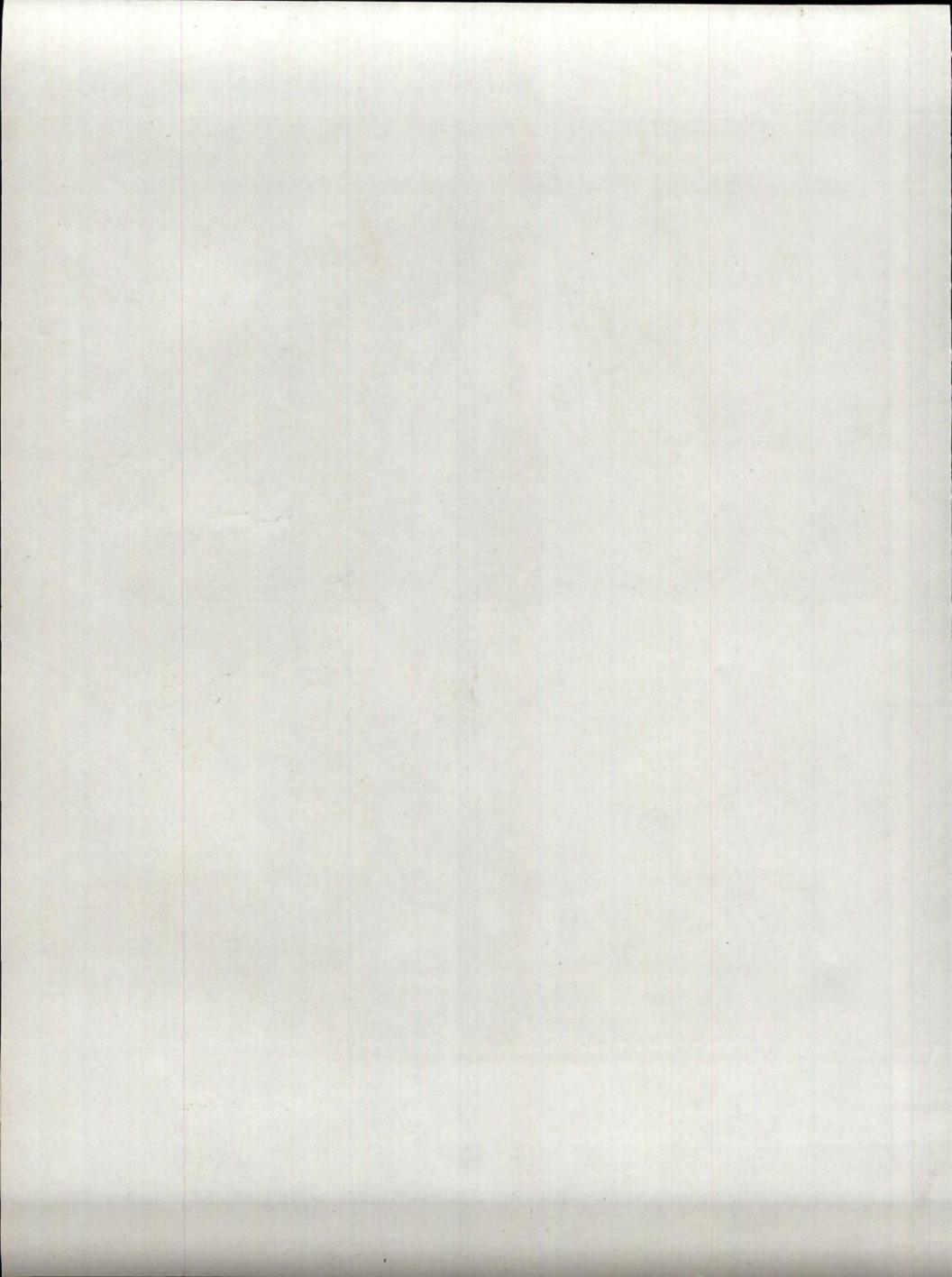
CAST

Susie Smith, who comes from Texas	Jeanine Brown
Armistice, her colored maid	
Sam Lorraine, a henpecked husband	
Laura Lorraine, his domineering wife	
Lola Clifford, Laura's charming sister	
Wayne Lorraine, Sam's brother	
Jud Jones, Wayne's closest pal	Richard Kepp
Constance Pawle, a friend of Laura's	Lulu Belle Zimmer
Bunny Slingsbee, who just slays Constance	
Cupie Clooney, in love with Lola	
Rita Pandro, an artist's model	
Sadie Applebaum, another model	
Jane Smith, a clinging vine	
Mrs. Felix Frankfort, her aunt	Mary Patrick
Joyce Farrow, maid at the Lorraines'	











F. H. A.

Future Homemakers of America is an organization for girls interested in homemaking. The requirement for membership is that you must be taking or must have taken one year of Home Economics.

Our Chapter has 45 members. Officers are: President, Donna Beals; Vice-president, Eloise Haskett; Secretary, Norma Jean Wolke; Treasurer, Phyllis Wilson; Parliamentarian, Dolores Wilson. Our sponsor is Mrs. Bell and our chapter mother is Mrs. Nathan Stewart. Mrs. Bell was elected honorary member of the year by the chapter.

For their community project the girls have been baby sitting; they also had a hobo day to put some extra money in their treasury. They are now planning a food sale.

Our chapter has recently adopted a German Home Economics class. We are going to send boxes containing needed articles which they cannot obtain in their country.





F. H. A.

First Row: Joan Gilbert, Hazel Beals, Ida Jane Andrews, Wanda Ryder, Maxine Walk, Christine Pugsley, Joana Sue Morgan, Shirley Stewart.

Second Row: Mrs. Bell, Dorothy Eeals, Janet Green, Dolores Wilson, Norma Jean Wolke, Donna Beals, Eloise Haskett, Phyllis Wilson, Margaret Wassom, Doris Icenogle, Mary Morton.

Third Row: Cleo Goad, Juanita Ballinger, Donna Fort, Pat Wente, Lucille Michlig, Margaret Saunders, Virginia Horn, Mary Lou Wente, Marge Lindley, Darlene Gaddis, Jeanine Brown.

Fourth Row: Darletta Fosbinder, Eleanor Louthan, Betty Beals, Norma Barrett, Mary Ann Hartke, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Ann Snyder, Rose White, Betty Baker, Louise Jones, Virginia Storm, Pat Pushur.

F. F. A.

The Future Farmers of America is an organization which teaches boys to become successful farmers and community leaders. It is an up and coming organization and will continue to rise in popularity and usefulness as long as its ranks are populated by young men like those in the Neoga Chapter. This chapter has participated in various group and individual contests and activities during the past year. The members planned the ways and means of making money for the chapter and were active in carrying out the plans. The chapter enjoyed a very successful year and planned for many more for the boys who will become members of the Neoga Chapter of F. F. A. in the future.

First Row: Harold Tipton, Richard Morgan, Claudius Goad, Dale Morton, Ken Andres, Pete Stretch, Bill Clark.

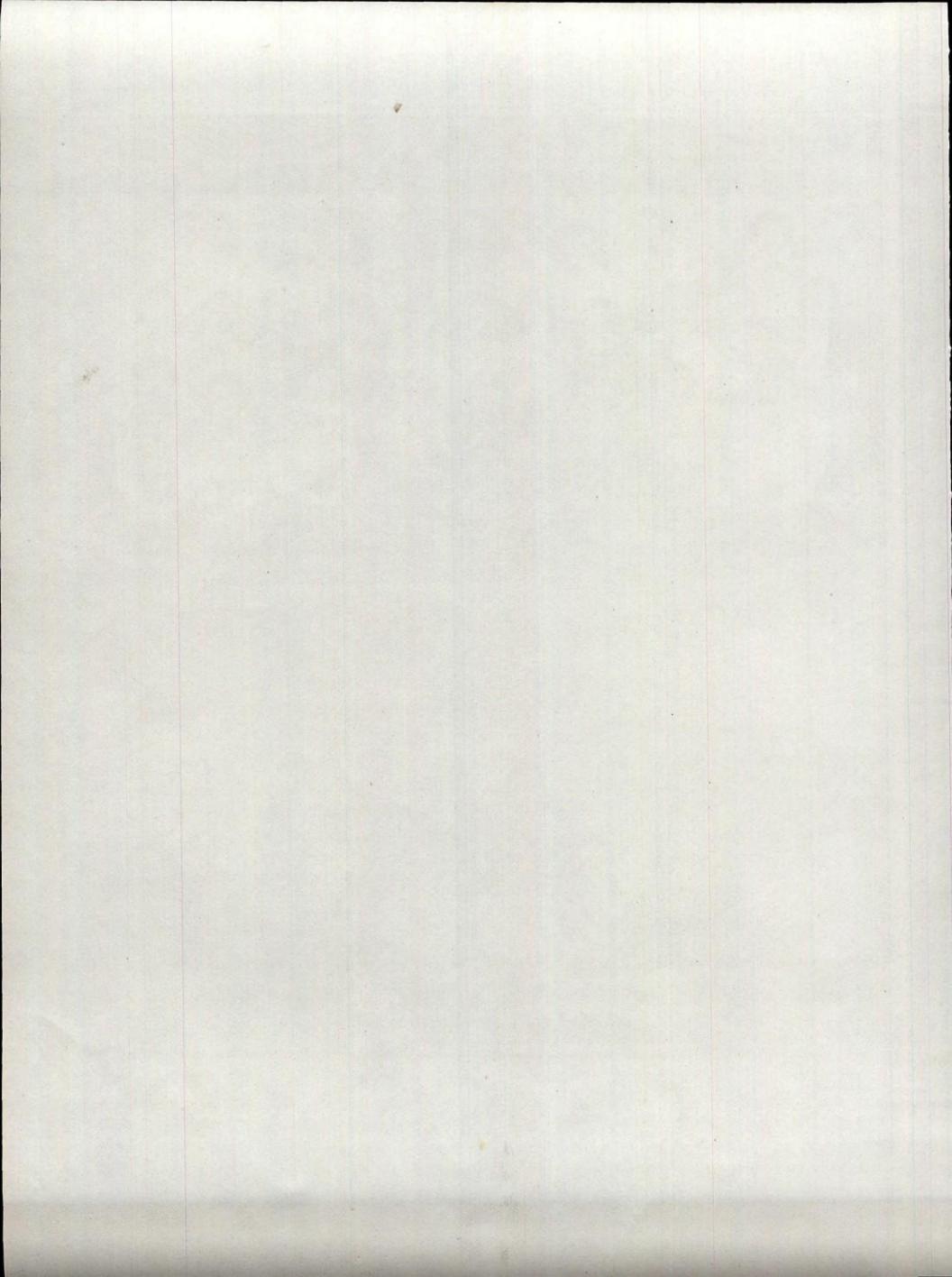
Second Row: Mr. Leming, Jim Wilson, Larry Green, Odis Hatten, Jack McKibben, Jack Anderson, Charles Price, John Meek, Earl Adkins.

Third Row: Richard Mettendorf, Don Walk, John Shuemaker, Max Gilbert, George Shuemaker, Lob Koester, Roy Walk, Jack Doll, Bob Young.











NONSENSE

"What are those holes in that wood?"
"They're knot holes."
"Well, what are they then?"

Down the street his funeral goes
And the sobs and wails diminish.
He died from drinking shellac, they say,
And he had a lovely finish.

What the lightning-bug said as he backed into the scissors: "I am delighted!"

He: "I've made a lot of money exposing girls like you." She: "Blackmailer!"
He: "No, honey; I manufacture swim suits."

Wife: "Wake up John, there's a burglar going through your pockets." John sleepily, "Oh, you two fight it out between you."

"What's that piece of string tied 'round your finger for?"

"That's a knot. Forget-me-not is a flower. With flour you make bread, and with bread you have cheese. This is to remind me to buy some pickled onions."

"Is your daddy in, sonny?"
"No, sir. He hasn't been home since mother caught Santa Claus kissing the maid."

The lunatic was discharged from the aslyum, returning home, and on the following morning decided to shave. He nailed the mirror to the wall, stood before it, lathering his face, selected an old-fashioned razor, proceded to shave. At this moment the nail slipped and the mirror fell to the floor. He stood gazing, the blank wall before him, then remarked bitterly:

"Just my luck. Second day out, and I've cut my blooming head off!"



PEP CLUB

The Pep Club was organized at the first of the school year and elected Sylve Michlig, president; Louise Miller. vice-president; and Louise Lane, secretary. Everyone turned out to rouse the team on to a winning season.

Most of the members have been present at every game and have shown excellent attitudes, as well as good sportmanship. Nearly the entire student body, because of exceptionally enthusiastic school spirit at Neoga, were loyal members of the Pep Club.

First Row: Junita Patrick, Patricia Bushur, Mary Patrick, Rose White, Lulu Belle Zimmer Betty Baker, Pauline Burton, Dolores Wilson, Richard Smith, Eleanor Louthan, Donna Beals, Margaret Saunders, Eloise Haskett, Margaret Wassom, Phyllis Wilson, Ann Snyder, Doris Icenogle, Mrs. Bell.

Second Row: Mary Ann Hartke, Norma Earrett, Bill Wilson, Bill Montgomery, Kenneth Andres, Julian Kimery, Carl Scoles, Richard Kepp, Louise Lane, Sylve Michlig, Louise Miller, Gilbert Kingery, Kenneth Wolf, Chris Wold, Dick Rawlings, Richard Morgan, Don Stewart, Judy Parker, Donette Ferris, Betty Stuckey. Pauline Martin, Ann Huff.

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Fifth Row: Betty Cordes, Shirley Moore, Fern Morton, Darletta Fosbinder, Shirley Stewart, Leo True, Bob Zimmer, Don Bell, Cleo True, John Shuemaker, Buddy Sanders, Jack McKibben, Bob Koester, Max Gilbert, Leo Hardesty, Bob Young, Claudius Goad, Larry Green, Virginia Horn, Ruth Stuckey, Charlotte Evans, Virginia Fuller, Juanita Ballinger, Bill Farr.

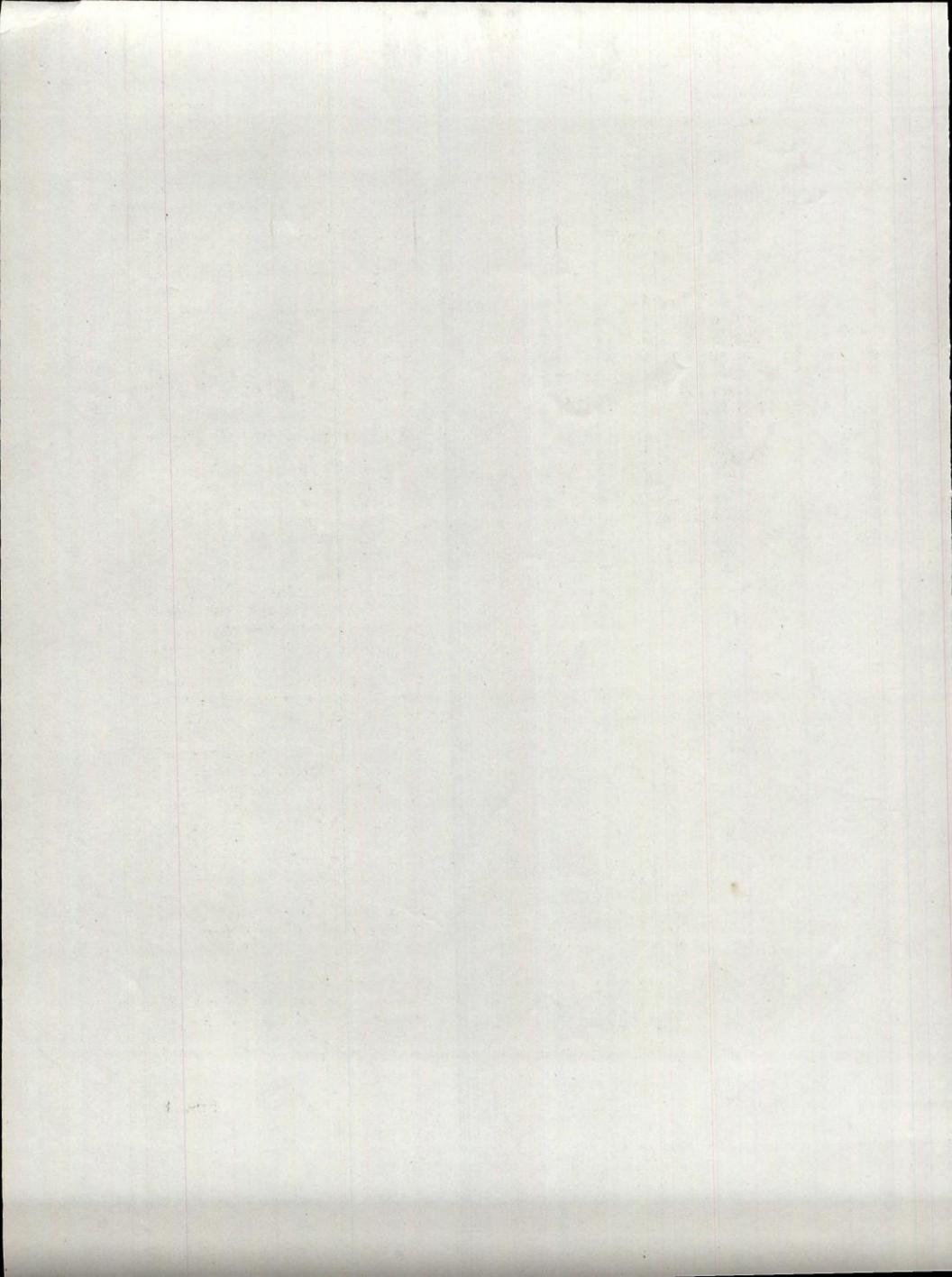
CHEERLEADERS

During the fall an election for cheerleaders was held. Shirley Kelsheimer, Harold Starwalt, Dolores Wilson, Richard Smith, and Eleanor Louthan were elected. Although this was Eleanor's third year as cheerleader, all of the cheerleaders did a successful job.











PASSING PARADE

AUGUST

30-Back to school.

31-Bookwory really begins.

SEPTEMBER

1-Girls new P.E. suits arrive.

2—Teachers are laying it on thick already.

3—Organization of classes.

6—Labor Day vacation.

7-Day after first vacation.

8-F. H. A., F. F. A., "N" Clubs organized.

9—Student body's pictures were taken by Speith today.

10—First baseball game payed here. Neoga wins 8-0 against Cowden.

13-Blue Monday.

15—Library Club, Messenger Staff are organized.

16—Senior class pictures arrive.

17—Neoga beats Beecher City 14-10. 20—Neoga loses to T-town 14-6.

22—Tomahawk staff meeting, business manager and advertising manager elected.

23-Juniors pick class play "Nuts

Bolts".

24—Freshman initiation and initiation party which all the school attends. Baseball game with Brownstown, lost 3-0.

27—Freshmen become officially a part of N.H.S. Students' small

pictures arrive.

23—Herff-Jones man comes to help Juniors select rings (pretty snazzy). Seniors pick out announcements, name cards, memory books, pins and necklaces. Baseball game with Cowden, lost it 12-11.

29—Juniors begin play practice. F. F. A. party.

OCTOBER

1-Baseball game with Altamont,

lost 10-6. Whole school went to the game.

4—Beecher City vs. Neoga at B. C. Tied 9-9.

5-6—Six weeks exams. The teachers really laid it on.

7-3-Two day vacation. We really need it.

11—Six weeks exams handed back groan, we'll be seniors next year).

12—Neoga plays Brownstown loses 11-2.

13—Class meetings, seniors prepare for Homecoming. Juniors put play tickets on sale today.

14—Band has drill practice. The street in front of the school sure is worn out now. Hallowe'en excitement begins.

15-Hallowe'en excitement ends.

16—Miss Rasmussen and Miss Neal go to a Library meeting at Casey. Chris Wold transfers from Charleston.

20—F.F.A. and F.H.A. clubs meet. Mrs. Holladay returns after two days at home. Mrs. Holladay has been absent because of illness.

22—Speith takes the rest of the senior class pictures and shows us covers for our Tomahawk.

26—Mrs. Renshaw takes Mrs. Drake's place for two weeks.

27—Spanish and "N" clubs meet. 28—F.F.A. boys pick corn at Claud-

ius Goad's.

20—Hallowe'en parade and dance. Band leads parade. First edition of Messenger is published.

NOVEMBER

1—Assembly for instructions on how to vote in school Presidential election. School is let out so teachers can vote.



- 2—School Presidential election, Dewey wins but Truman evens in national election.
- 3—Class meeting. Seniors begin preparations for Homecoming. Junior class put finishing touches on preparation for Junior Class Play.

4—Junior Class Play "Nuts and Bolts" has first night. Accepted as on of the best plays put on.

- 5—Junior Class Play has second night. Larger crowd than night before.
- 9—Basketball squad elect Ray Bushur captain and Claudius Goad, Jim Parker, and Harold Tipton, Bob Wilson managers.
- 10—Cheerleaders Eleanor Louthan, Dolores Wilson, Harold Starwalt, Shirley Kelsheimer and Richard Smith are elected.
- 11—Armistice Day vacation.
 12—Senior name cards arriva.
- 15—Review for six-weeks exams begins.
- 17—Library club begins work on Constitution at their regular meeting. Messenger assignments are handed out for November issue.
- 18-Six-weeks exams begin.
- 19—All students are urged to bring money to contribute to C.R.O.P. Season tickets were distributed to sell.
- 22-G.A.A. girls begin selling pencils with basketball schedule printed on them
- 23-Pep meeting ninth period.
- 24—First basketball game at Teutopolis. Neoga loses 68-26. T-Town really has a team.
- 25-Start Thanksgiving vacation.
- 29—Coach returns to school with a black eye. Where did you get it, Coach?

30-Game with St. Anthony. Won our first game.

DECEMBER

- 1—Janet Green and Bill Montgomery are elected royalty for Homocoming.
- 2—Homecoming committees meet for further preparation.
- 3—Pep Club organized. Sylve Michlig elected president; Louise Miller, vice-president; Louise Lane, secretary.
- 6—What a restless day! Seems like all the kids are just waiting for Christmas vacation.
- 7—Pep meeting gives the boys a real morale building meeting to defeat St. Elmo.
- 8—F.H.A. girls decorate the Study Hall Christmas tree.
- 9—Seniors get their pins and brace-
- 10-"B" team forfeits to Beecher City but "A" team beats Beecher City "A" team.
- 13—Senior boys collect wood for the bonfire which will be held December 21.
- 14—Pep meeting highlighted by a speech by Dean Gordon. Indians beat Toledo 61-50.
- 17—F.H.A. girls have Christmas Party at Phyllis Wilson's home.
- 20—Seniors begin decorating Study Hall. The whole school is a complete turmoil. Christmas Concert is put over as a big success.
- 21—Seniors still working furiously on Homecoming. "B" team loses to T-Town. Bonfire after game is a big success.
- 22—Morning-What a day! Seniors put finishing touches on Homecoming theme "49'er's". All school has gift exchange and Santa attended, too.







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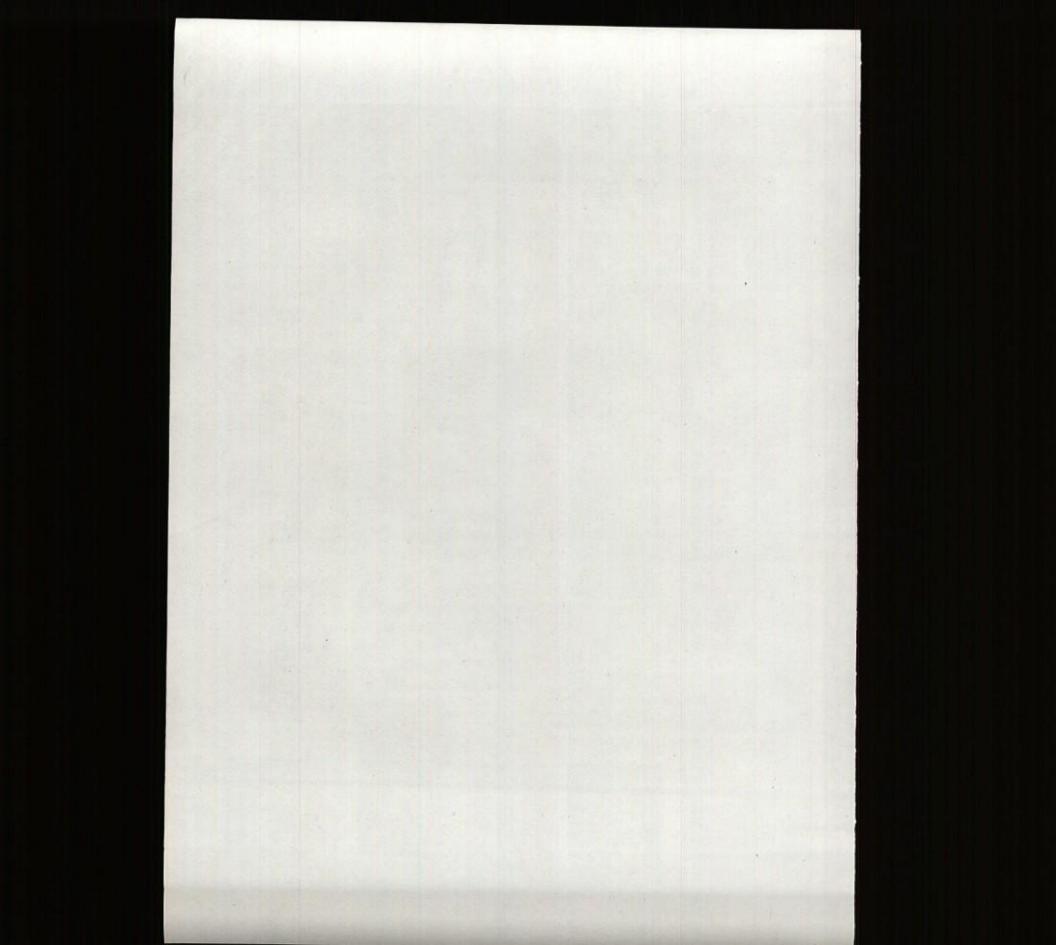
"Steadies"













Afternoon-Alumni Tea is served by Home Ec. IV girls. What a way for a big reunion. Pep assembly really is a big scramble. Boys vs. girls basketball game ends in a tie with the two referees, Mrs. Drake and Mr. White dead.

Evening— The Homecoming Dance at last after a great loss suffered by our basketball team to T-Town.

23—Seniors clean up after Homecoming. Basketball squad, Board of Directors, Faculty, and seniors are given promised chicken dinner for defeating Toledo.

JANUARY

- 3—Everybody returns to school feeling like they had just spent a lost week-end.
- 4—The boys really gave T-Town a score last night by leading 20-13 at the half but lost 57-32 at the first game of N.T.C. Tourney.
- 6—Neoga wins third place in N.T.C. by defeating St. Elmo 51-45.
- 7—Captain Bushur presented the third place trophy to the school.
- 10-Gordon is out of school with a twisted back.
- 11—Neoga beats Stewardson in a slow, sloppy game.
- 12—Class meetings. Seniors financial reports show them to be in the clear again.
- 13—The teachers are really laying it on us. When will we learn to study?
- 14—Neoga wins a close game with Cowden in an overtime 47-42.
- 17—Semester exams handed back. Weren't as bad as expected.
- 18—Game with Beecher City postponed. Roads too icy.

- 19-F.F.A., F.H.A. meetings.
- 20—Report cards handed out. Honor roll better than average for the semester.
- 21—Neoga loses to Strasburg after putting up a hard fight.
- 24—Ken Wolf returns to school after being sick with bronchitis.

 Norma Jean Wolke also returns to school after recovering from her illness.
- 25—The best pep meeting was held today. After this, however, we lost to Brownstown.
- 26—Library, Messenger meeting. Library club plans to have a work night.
- 27-FH.A. initiation party at Mrs. Stewart's home turns out to be a big success.
- 29—Neoga really wallops Humboldt 71-35.
- 31—Neoga takes another beating from Strasburg.

FEBRUARY

- 2—Class meetings. Juniors start plans for Prom.
- 4—Ball game with Humboldt. Neoga won 59-38.
- 7—Pep meeting to cheer boys on to a victory over St. Anthony.
- 9—F.F.A., F.H.A. meetings. F.F.A. boys are preparing for F.F.A. week.
- 10—Neoga beats Beecher City after a first half slump 47-45.
- 12—Neoga loses to Charleston T. C. who really has a terrific team.
- 14-We really are unlucky. Neoga drew Windsor in District Tourney.
- 15—Neoga travels over to Greenup to beat them 37-36. Gordon and Kingery are injured during the game.



- 16—Messenger, Library meeting. The next Messenger will be a F.F.A. edition.
- 19—Neoga loses to Newton in a high scoring game 63-58,
- 21—Miss Campbell returns to school after recovering from her auto accident. Six weeks exams are announced to be held Thursday and Friday.
- 22—Neoga beats Windsor in the District Tournament.
- 23—Mr. Snyder brought his recording machine to the high school to allow us to hear the Windsor-Neoga game.
- 24—A really hot pep meeting with Mr. White and Mr. Taylor giving two peppy cheers. Neoga beat Atwood 39-29.
- 25—Neoga wins Bethany District Tournament defeating Findlay 38-36 on a last minute basket by Scoles.
- 26—Captain Bushur presents Bethany Tournament Trophy to the school.
- 27—No girls P. E. because Grade School is practicing for Operetta.
- 28—Neoga beats Greenup in Regional Tournament.

MARCH

- 1—Neoga loses to Tuscola in Regional Tournament.
- 2—Grade school presents operetta, Tom Sawyer. Report cards are handed out.
- 5—Senior class magazine campaign with a good profit of \$130.00.
- 7—F.H.A. met to make plans for their bake sale this coming Saturday.
- 8—Drifted snow kept the buses from getting to school on time today.

- 9—Cheerleaders, basketball squad, and managers from each class were elected today for intraclass tournaments.
- 12—F.H.A. bake sale which was held at casstevens Store was a big success.
- 14—All students filled out ballots for State Tournament for their choice of winners.
- 15—F. F. A. Parliamentary proceedure team goes to Casey to compete in a contest.
- 13—Tomahawk staff meeting is held to discuss important business.
- 17—Guy Howard, the walking preacher of the Ozarks, talked to the student body today.
- 13-Seniors have Tomahawk worknight.
- 21—Basketball boys attend National Trail Conference Banquet. quet.
- 22—Intraclass tournaments begin with the seniors beating the freshmen and juniors defeating the sophomores.
- 23—Seniors win intraclass tournament.
- 24-Class meetings were held today.
- 25—No school because of Teacher's Institute.
- 28—F.H.A. elect new officers for next year.
- 30—Medical Clinic for all shots ends today.
- 31—Senior play cast has first practice.

APRIL

- 1—Library club members have a work-night to prepare library for State Inspectors.
- 4—Mr. Speith finished taking Tomahawk pictures today.



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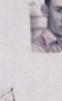
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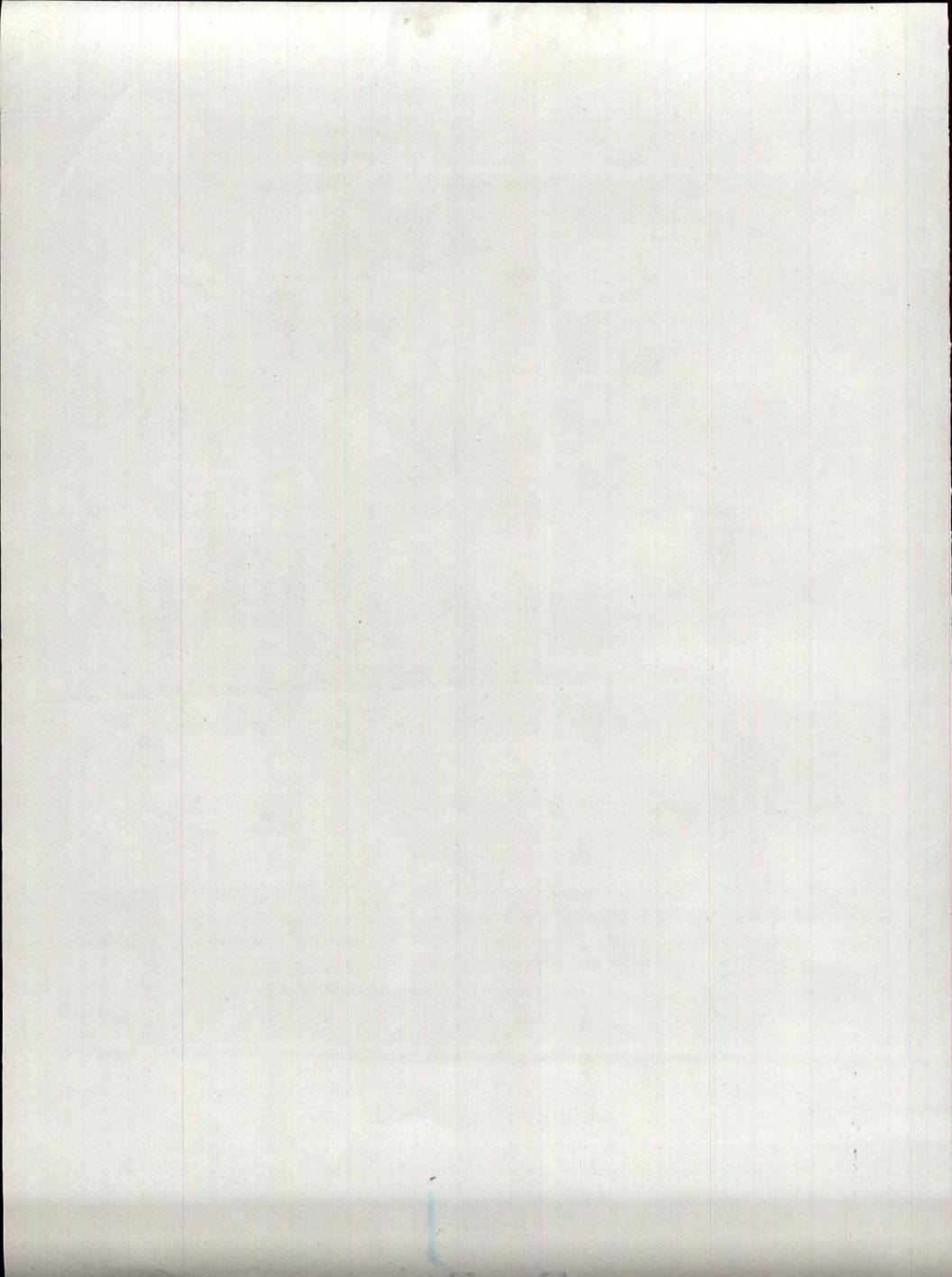


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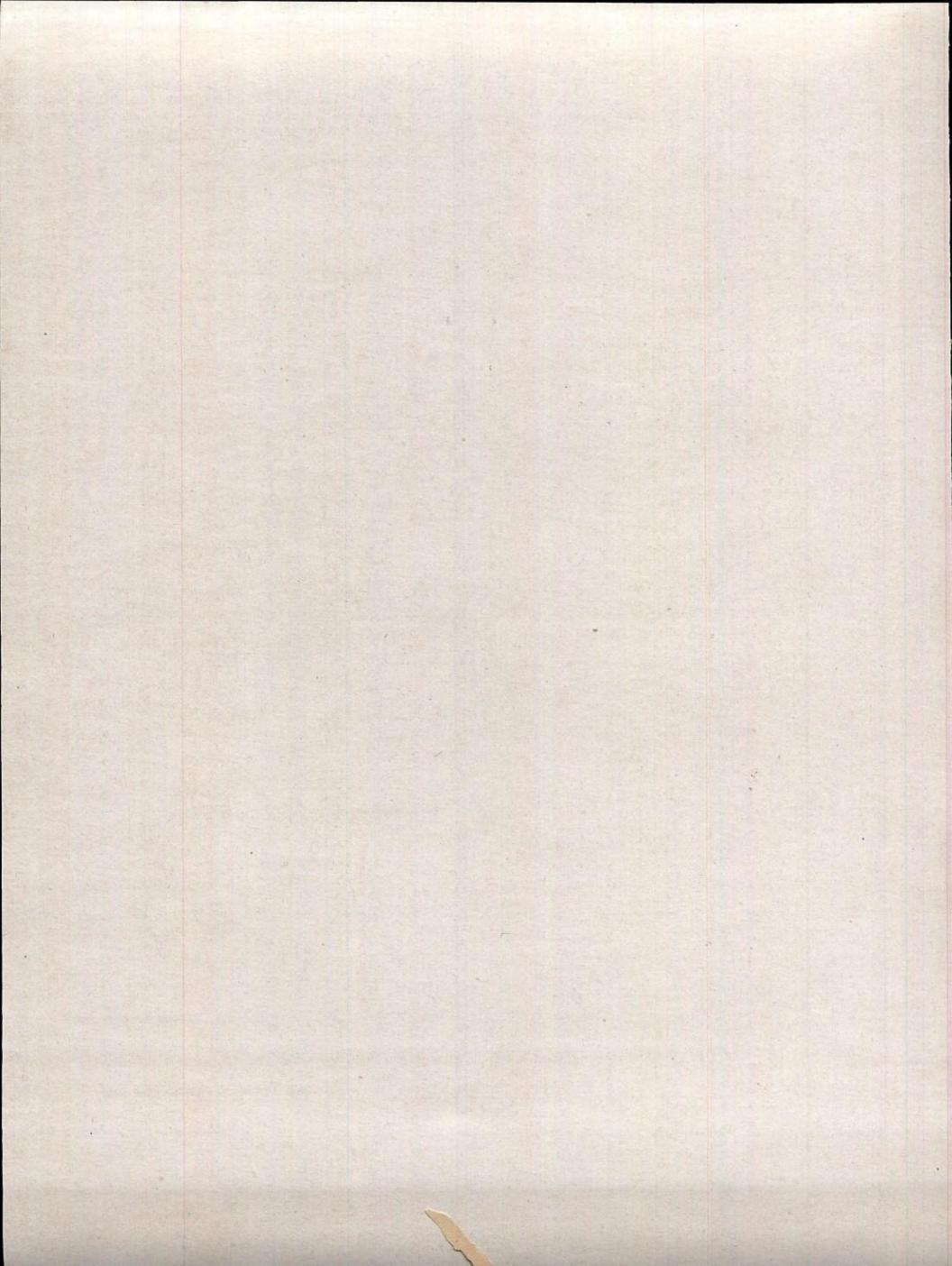
- 5-MacMurray College representative talks to the senior girls on advantages of going to MacMurray.
- 6—Class meetings to choose different personalities was held today.
- 8—Freshmen class have class party.
 11—Neoga defeats St. Anthony in first baseball game of the season.
- 13-Report cards are handed out.
- 14-15-16-17—School Easter vacation.
- 18—Special senior meeting to discuss Tomahawk.
- 19—State Inspectors arrive, all students behave like angels.
- 20—Basketball banquet turns out to be best ever held.
- 21—Mixed chorus has final rehearsal for Spring Concert.
- 22—Spring Concert at last. Everbody enjoys it.
- 23—Commerce students go to Newton for Invitational Business Tournament.
- 25—Neoga loses to Mattoon for their first loss of the season.
- 26—Army Recruiting Officers try to persuade the seniors to join the army.
- 28—Senior play cast has final dress rehearsal for Senior class play.
- 29-30—Seniors present the play "Springtime for Susie". It is a big success.

MAY

2—Neoga baseball team defeats the Greenup team 13-0.

- 3—Home Ec. class is visited by Mrs. Crouse of the State Homemaking Department.
- 4—Neoga loses to St. Anthony's for second loss.
- 5—Jr. Prom and Banquet. Whoop ee! What a time we had.
- 6—What a day! All the juniors and seniors are so tired they can't keep their eyes open.
- 10—Seniors try on caps and gowns today and decide to have girls wear white and boys wear blue.
- 11—Class meetings and F.H.A., F.F. A. meeting was held today.
- 12—Senior class hamburger fry out at Jennings Park turns out to be a big success.
- 13-Neoga wallops Grenup 9-3.
- 13—Clearance sheets are passed out to all students.
- 17—Neoga plays Mattoon in District Tourney.
- 13-Library and Messenger club meetings.
- 19—Spanish club goes to Lake Mattoon for picnic.
- 20—Neoga plays last game of season against Charleston.
- 22—Senior Baccalaureate Services.
- 23-24—Semester exams for lower three grades.
- 25—School holiday.
- 26—All school picnic. 27—Graduation ceremonies in High School Gym at 8:00.

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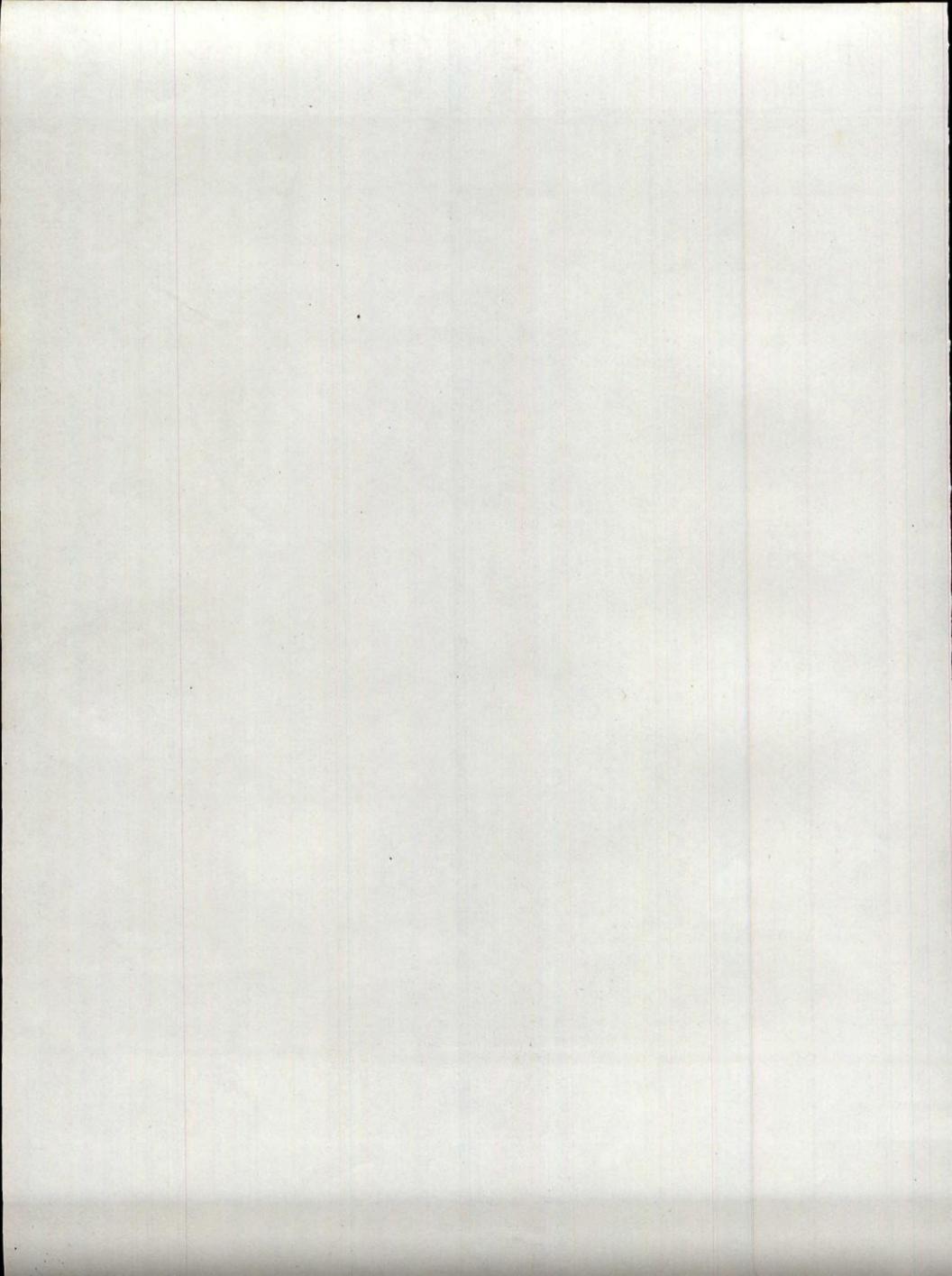




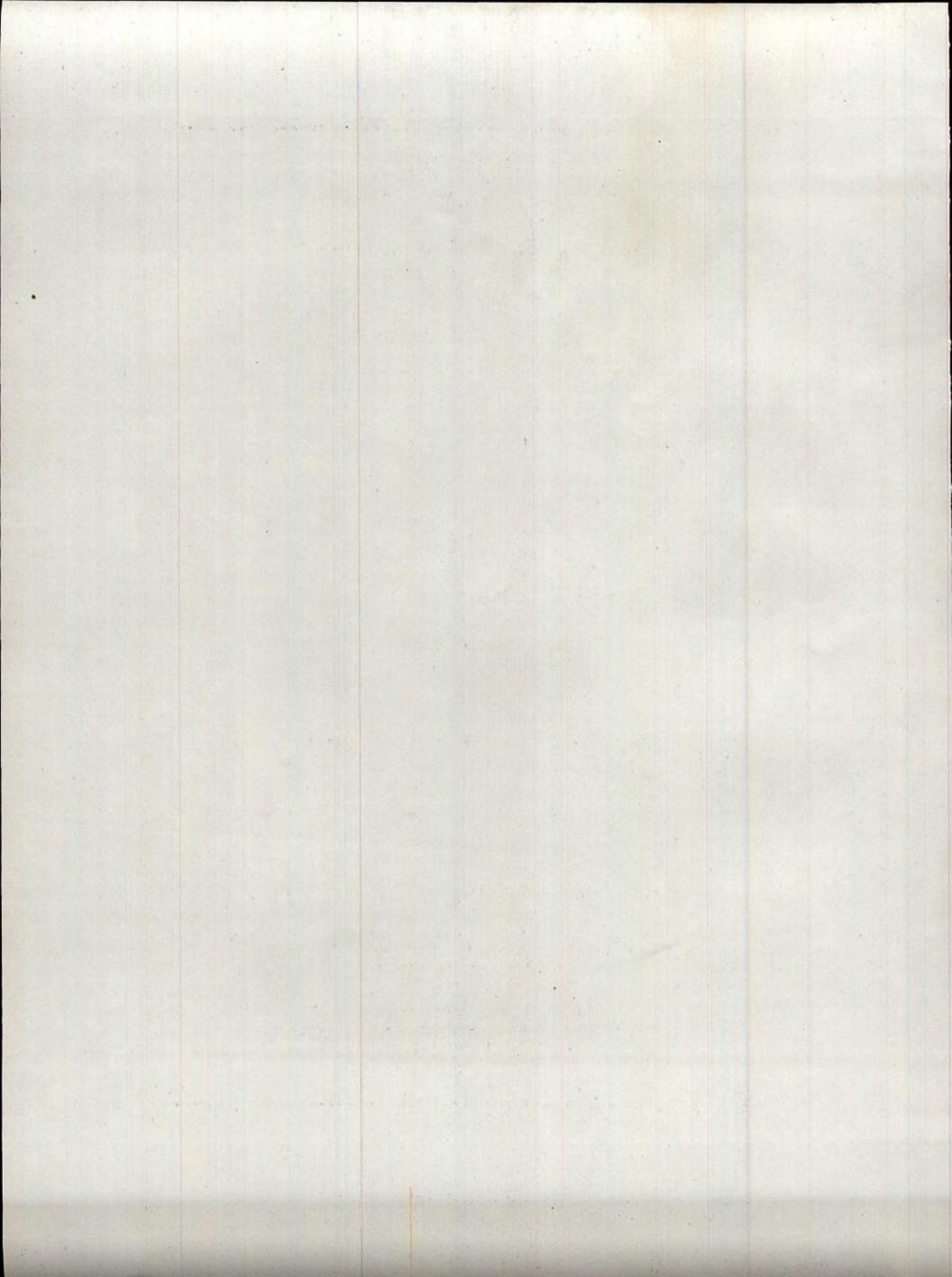




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